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War At Sea Is News To-day

U-BOAT CLAIMS "HERO" CRUISER

LIEUT. GUENTHER PRIEN, the youthful Nazi U-Boat Commander who claims to have sunk the Royal Oak at Scapa Flow, has claimed another victim, which he describes as a 10,000-ton British cruiser of the London class. Naval circles in London do not confirm the claim. But a special commentary discloses that it is probably another German exaggeration.

German CLAIM

German LIES

Prien's Victory Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—An official Nazi announcement claims that a U-boat has torpedoed a destroyer and a heavy British cruiser east of the Shetland Islands.

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—Naval circles in London say they have absolutely no confirmation of the Berlin claims.

U-Boat Commander's Claim
BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—An official announcement here to-day claimed that a U-boat commanded by Lieutenant Guenther Prien, the young rosy checked "hero of Scapa Flow," has sunk a 10,000-ton British cruiser of the London type—either the Shropshire, Sussex, Devonshire or London, all of which were completed in 1929 and which carry a normal complement of 250 men.

This loss would constitute the tenth British warship and the tenth German sea victory, according to Nazi claims.

Carry Heavy Armament
The London type of cruisers carry eight 8-inch guns, four 4-inch, twenty smaller guns, eight torpedo tubes and catapults for aircraft.

The ship in question was apparently north of the Scapa Flow base in the Orkneys when she was "sunk."

Nazi's Outstanding Hero
Lieutenant Prien is a vigorous, handsome 30 year old officer. So far he is Germany's outstanding naval hero. He has been personally decorated by Hitler and Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, praised his skill and daring in the House of Commons and during the sinking of H.M.S. Royal Oak, in which 810 British seamen lost their lives.

It may be recalled that Lieutenant Prien was confident after the Scapa Flow raid that he had also destroyed a second unidentified warship.

"Nothing Is Known"
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Information states that nothing whatever is known in London about the German story of the alleged sinking of a British cruiser.

Britain's Air Superiority
Planes Are Better Equipped

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day dwells on the superiority of the equipment of the R.A.F. compared to the German air force.

Our bombers are fitted with gun turrets operated by power of the engines. The gunner can swing the gun himself in any direction without exertion.

Nazi's Disadvantage
The Germans have no such turrets in their bombers and must therefore rely on speed and evasion owing to the difficulty of holding the machine steady at the present speeds of their aircraft.

The British eight-gun fighters have proved a great success whereas the German four-gun fighters are at a disadvantage.

Tests on a captured Messerschmitt 100 proved it to be a bad aeroplane.

WESTERN FRONT 'GENERAL WINTER' TAKES COMMAND

By RALPH HEINZEN
(UNITED PRESS) CORRESPONDENT

WITH FRENCH ARMIES IN FIELD, Nov. 28 (UP).—Three armies totalling nearly 10,000,000 fighting men are engaged in preparing winter quarters to-day, as cold rains sweep the terrain from the sea to Switzerland. Winter seems to be bringing to a definite end any possibility of an offensive before early next year.

Possibility of a winter campaign has faded as the continuous rains widen swampy fields, flood both large and small rivers, and thus establish water obstacles which no modern mechanised armies could pass.

There is not a single sign across the line that Adolf Hitler will give the order for an early attack. Reports which filter through the lines, as in all wars, emphasize a lack of agreement between Hitler and many of his military advisers over the advisability of winter operations and an invasion of neutral states.

Everything Ready
So complete are the German preparations, however, that there is no possibility of a swift and powerful attack.

Command has assembled in and just behind the Siegfried Line everything it needs for an attack.

Contact between the enemy forces were long ago established in "no man's land," and there is always the possibility that if Hitler can reach an agreement with his advisers on methods to be used, the German General Staff will proceed any day with an offensive action, without an intermediate period of intense patrol activity.

No-Man's Land
"No man's land" averages from one-half to one mile in width. It is not populated in the daytime, but at night—even when storms rage—it is a scene of activity as rival patrols, by feeling out the enemy here and there, keep the two sides in contact.

In many places there are abandoned villages in the middle of "no man's land." They are visited regularly each night by patrols as they endeavour to take them. Often rival patrols meet in these abandoned villages, and automatically go into action and shoot are exchanged.

Communications dispose of these encounters as "scattered action," and that, so far, has been the extent of action seen on the front.

Behind The Lines
Behind the lines on the French and British side of the western front, however, it is a different picture. Every hour of daylight is used to improve defences. These are especially adapted to the geographical features of the terrain, but they also form a part of the gigantic plan of border defences worked out long ago by the general staff.

The first phase of operations, lasting two months, consisted of digging protective trenches and tank traps, generally wide ditches with sloping approaches on the far side, and an abrupt wall on the defensive side, and the placing of artillery and anti-tank guns behind camouflaged and tank gun cover.

The second phase consists of constructing further means of impeding the progress of enemy tanks by planting mines and creating wide barriers by chopping down trees over corridors a hundred feet wide. Tanks trying to pass that barrier would crash through branches or its caterpillar tracks would become hopelessly entangled.

British Losses At Sea

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A special commentary states that the gross exaggeration of German broadcasts regarding the recent losses of British merchant shipping is revealed in the figures now published by the Admiralty.

These figures show that losses for the week ending at midnight on November 27 totalled 11 ships with a tonnage of 25,787.

The total losses since the beginning of the war up to the same date are British: 78 vessels, 283,169 tons; French: ten vessels, 51,150 tons; and neutral: 43 vessels, 144,592 tons.

Comparison With 1917
These figures make interesting comparison with April, 1917, in which month close to 100 British vessels with a total tonnage of 322,000—and 430 vessels in all, of a total tonnage of 852,000, were sunk.

It is also pointed out in London that the recent tendency of U-boat commanders has been to attack unprotected fishing trawlers in areas where immediate counter-action against submarine forces is not expected.

Although only four neutral ships were lost as the result of German action during the past week, neutral tonnage sunk was almost as great as British due to the sinking of large vessels, such as the Terukuni Maru, Grazia and Siledecht.

All Nazi Exports Now Contraband
LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—An Order in Council has been issued covering the extension of the embargo band control to all German exports.

Premier's Tributes Men Who Fought Nazi Ship
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—Mr. Chamberlain said in the House of Commons to-day the Allies did not enter the war with any vindictive purposes, and they do not intend to impose a vindictive peace.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "None of us know how long the war will last, what direction it will develop, or who, when it is ended, will be standing on our side or will be against us. Hence, we are unable at present to outline the conditions under which a new world will be created."

Reprisals To Start
The Premier announced that the seizure of German exports will become effective next Monday.

"We intend to do our best to cause the least possible inconvenience to the least possible number of people."

He paid tribute to the crew of the Raveland for carrying out the great traditions of the Royal Navy.

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CRISIS APPROACHING SHOWDOWN

Reds Denounce Pact with Finland

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Nov. 29 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Soviet Union has denounced the non-aggression pact with Finland.

SOVIET DENUNCIATION

Abrogation of the pact becomes effective immediately.

The Soviet has also rejected the Finnish "explanation" of the frontier incident and has renewed demands for the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the border.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, in a brief interview with the Finnish Minister to Moscow, Baron Anno Koskinen, charged that the Finnish attitude is evidence of "deep hostility against the Soviet" and that "Finland shows a desire to bring the present crisis to a head."

Crisis Rapidly Approaching
As evidence that the crisis is rapidly approaching a showdown, the Red Army forces which were on the border previous to the abrogation, have now been ordered to return any fire from the Finnish side and to "annihilate" those responsible.

Reports from the Leningrad area facing Finland also indicate that the Red Army is prepared for action, while the Soviet naval forces centred off Leningrad are described as being ready for all eventualities.

Not An Ultimatum
M. Molotov's renewed demand for the withdrawal of Finnish troops does not constitute an ultimatum as no time limit has been set.

He told the Finnish Minister during their 20 minutes conversation that the Soviet denunciation of the non-aggression pact was due to the Finnish anti-Soviet policy, which was not consistent with the terms of the treaty.

The Soviet Reply
MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Soviet reply asserts that the Finnish Government has systematically broken its pact.

The Finnish denial of the act of aggression is only a public opinion, and the desire to mislead public opinion, and the Finnish refusal to withdraw troops from the frontier proves the desire of the Finnish Government to PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

LATEST

Claims 700 Lives

BERLIN, Nov. 29, (UP).—German Admiralty claims 700 lives were lost when British cruiser was torpedoed.

Finns Open Fire, Claim

LONDON, Nov. 29, (UP).—Moscow Radio announces Finnish troops twice opened fire on Karelian Isthmus.

See Back Page For Further Late News

ITALIAN BATTLESHIPS FOR RUMANIAN OIL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Nov. 28 (Dome).—Authoritative circles reveal that Italy has made a definite bid for Rumanian resources and has proposed an exchange of Rumanian oil and wheat for Italian arms and warships.

It is reported that Italy has agreed to supply on most favourable conditions light cruisers to the Rumanian Black Sea fleet. The Rumanian fleet in the Black Sea already includes several Italian constructed light cruisers.



A.R.P. Workers in H.K. Will Be 'Green Army'

SMART and practical dark green uniforms have been designed to be worn by Hongkong's army of more than 9,000 A.R.P. workers.

At the new A.R.P. training centre, the old German Club at King's Park, the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote last week saw one of the proposed officers uniforms being worn for the first time. The proposed uniforms will serve for peace-time and wartime.

The material for the officers' uniform is dark green drill. The style includes a cut down collar to be worn with a white shirt and black tie. It has two breast patch pockets and 1 1/2 in. attached belt.

The letters A.R.P. in yellow are sewn on the left breast, worn on the top of each arm adjoining the shoulder. Badges of rank consist of one quarter of an inch yellow braid stripes on the shoulder strap.

The Chief A.R.P. warden has four stripes, Head Warden, three, Divisional warden, two, and District warden one.

Black Berets
Headgear is a black beret, with braid trimming on which the A.R.P. badge is pinned at the side. Footwear will consist of black shoes or boots.

The warden's uniform is as above except that a putty type collar and no tie will be worn. Badges of rank consisting of horizontal yellow braid stripes one quarter of an inch wide, will be worn on the arm.

Senior wardens will wear one stripe. The letters H and K embroidered on each side of the collar will identify Hongkong and Kowloon wardens.

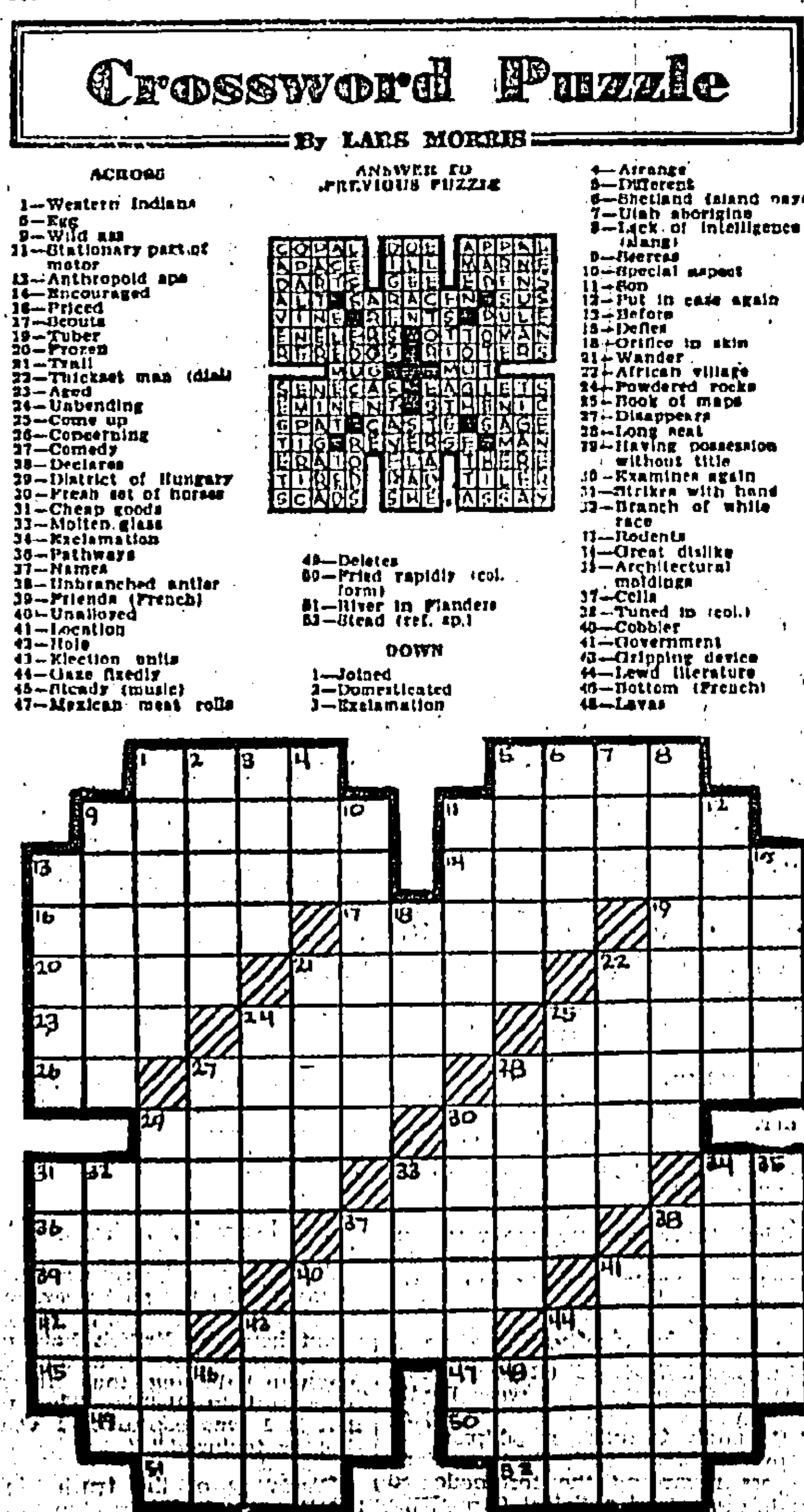
U.S. Ambassador At The Palace
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to London, was the guest of the King and Queen at luncheon to-day. He is leaving soon for the United States on holiday.

Kindness Overwhelmed Him
A little later he returned, and explained: "In the past year, we have been saturated with propaganda about how the British hate us, and that we must hate them too. I could not help believing that there was some truth in all this. They told me that if I was captured, I would be shot, or tortured."

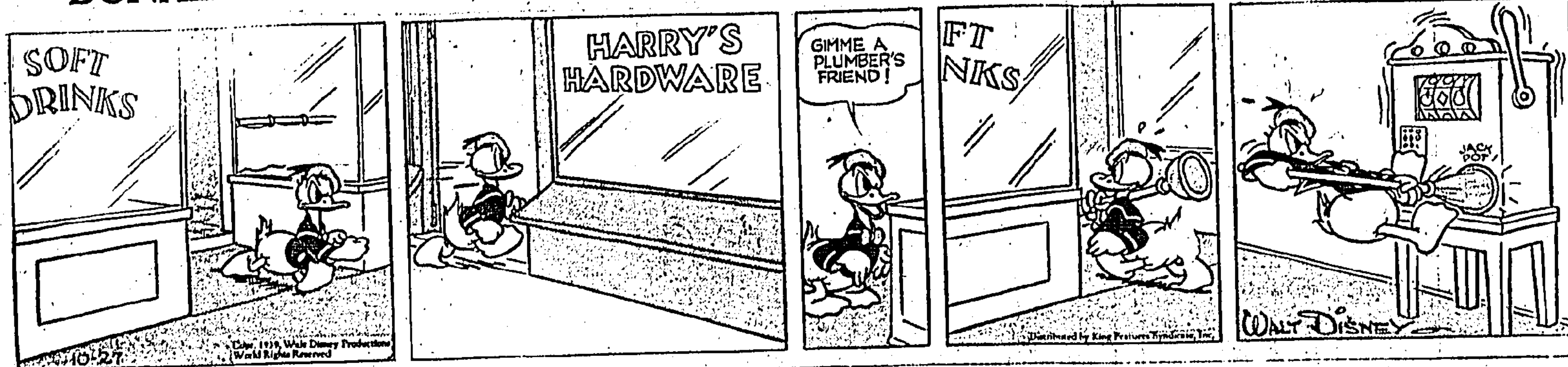
Discovery of the truth in that R.A.F. mess had been too much for him.

Premier's Ovation
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain was loudly cheered on rising to-day in the House of Commons to make an address. He first dealt with the Parliamentary process regarding the foreshadowed establishment of a Select Committee.

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'Friendly' German Said 'Gott Sei Dank'

SYMPATHY FOR AN UNWANTED MAN

AN elderly man pattered round a bare hallway exclaiming "Gott sei dank," which, interpreted, is "God be thanked."

A German, his status had just been defined by one of the 108 tribunals set up in Britain for the purpose. He had been freed from the category "Enemy Aliens."

He was one of 40 who went into St. John's Hall, Holly Bush Vale, Hampstead, to lay their cases, in strict privacy, before Judge Earengay.

The 40 waited in an ante-room. They were admitted one by one to a room where sat the judge, a detective-inspector as secretary, and an interpreter.

"They Are So Kind"

The average time for interrogation was 10 minutes.

After that the appellant would reappear, walk over to a plain-clothes police officer, and have his passport stamped with his new status.

As each man came out he would encourage those still waiting. One (call him Karl), wearing the black frock-coat and clerical collar of the Roman Catholic priesthood, mistook me (writes a News Chronicle reporter) for one of his compatriots.

"I am so happy," he said. "No longer an enemy alien, but a friendly alien."

"So kind they are, so kind. The questions they are so friendly, so gracious. You must not be alarmed. There is no cause for fear. They are so kind."

Three Categories

Karl may now move without restriction, provided he notifies the police of his destination and at the station in the new locality, of his arrival.

He is back to pre-war status. Judge Earengay, in his house near St. John's Hall, said to me: "In general, one has to determine, both from one's experience of human nature and from the record before one, the appellant's suitability for one of the three categories—immediate internment; internment later, possibly; or genuine refugee or friendly alien."

"Most of the people in this area are Jews. A great many British Jews of German origin have been amazingly good to their newly arrived compatriots: opened their houses, or even taken houses for the refugees." As there are about 12,000 German refugees in the Hampstead-Hendon areas, the tribunals there will be sitting five days a week for some months—unless more judges are appointed.

RATIONING ON JANUARY 8

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the rationing scheme of bacon and butter will come into force on January 8.

The initial quantities will be four ounces each per person weekly. Consumers are asked to register with retailers for sugar and to restrict purchases to one pound weekly.

Turkish Military Mission

THE Turkish military mission arrived in London recently for important discussions.

In the above picture Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood is seen, on the right, with his arm on the shoulder of General Orbay, head of the mission.

Lord Birdwood commanded the British troops against the Turks at Gallipoli in the last war.

The mission had been accompanied from the coast by the military, naval and air attaches at the Turkish Embassy.

Before the train's arrival in London, Lord Birdwood stood talking with Dr. Tewfik Rushdi Aras, the Turkish Ambassador.

With Lord Birdwood were representatives of the British Navy, Army and Air Force, the naval, military and air attaches of the French Embassy were also present.

Several Turkish women were there to welcome the mission, and to greet Madame Orbay, who accompanied her husband.

General Orbay, who is regarded as an old friend of Britain, is one of the "Big Three" of the Turkish Army.

The mission was given an official reception last night, when Lord Chatfield was the host.

WANTED: MOE OFFICERS

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should render a good account of itself.

The German military problem is how many divisions she dare send to Poland in order to try and get a quick result and how few she can afford to leave holding the Siegfried Line against France and ourselves and provide a central reserve as well. Incidentally the French problem of watching her Alpine and Pyrenean frontiers has been considerably lightened by the recent course of events.

Finally, it is worth remembering that all wars now are wars of petrol and oil, which is for Germany a great difficulty. She has not got the petrol for a long way unless she succeeds in obtaining access to the Rumanian petrol supply or Soviet Russia is prepared to supply her extensive needs. Even if she were to obtain the whole of the output of the Rumanian oilfields, it would be insufficient for her needs.

New World Freedom Must Arise From Allied Victory

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—In a broadcast on Monday night, Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Labour Leader, said that when peace was made a new world

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Schumann—Symphony No. 4 in D Minor, Op. 120. London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Sea Shanties by John Goss and Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

1.55 March Weber and His Orchestra "Viktorie und Her Hussar" Selection.

2.00 Close Down.

2.00 Two Compositions of Haydn: Quartet in E Major, Op. 54, No. 3, Pro Arte Quartet. Sonata No. 1 in E Flat, Vladimir Horowitz (Piano).

6.35 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.37 Songs by Luigi Fort (Tenor) Soft Breeze the Light ("Don Paquale"), Si Vous L'avez Compris, Ideale (Tosti).

6.47 Light Orchestra.

7.00 B.B.C. Recording—"A Northern Evening from Burlington."

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Recital by Elvie Yuen (Soprano) and the Very Rev. Father A. Riganti (Piano). Father in Spring (Schubert), Impatience (Schubert), Serenade (Schubert), Elvie Yuen, Andante from Sonata in B Flat (Mozart), Father Riganti. Three Songs by Donaudy, Freschi, Luoghi, Phil. Aulenti. No. non mi guaraglio, Vaghi, sinna Sembianza, Elvie Yuen, Second Gavott (Godard), Father Riganti, Two English Songs: Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal (Roger Quilter), A Brown Bird Sings (Haydn Wood).

8.35 Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. Danse, Macabre, Op. 40 (Saint-Saens), Berceuse from "The Tempest", Op. 109—Sibelius, Bacchanale (from "Samson and Delilah"—Saint-Saens).

8.55 Max Bruch—Kol Nidrei, Op. 47. Pau Canals (Cello) and The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir London Ronald.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Selections from "The Dollar Princess," "The Three Musketeers" and "H.M.S. Pinafore."

9.55 Dance Music.

10.30 London Relay—"It's That Man Again" A Variety Show with Tommy Handley and Others.

11.00 London Relay—"Matters of Moment."

11.15 Close Down.

FOREIGN PLANES OVER BRUSSELS

BRUSSELS, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A. A. guns opened fire to-day on several foreign planes which appeared high over Brussels at noon. After a few minutes, the planes disappeared in a westerly direction.

Netherlands Trade Mission Returns

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Five members of the Netherlands trade mission returned home by air this morning.

\$5,000 CHRISTMAS GIFT TO KIDDIES

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Herbert Morrison announced that the London County Council has decided to give \$5,000 towards a fund to give children in the reception areas a good time during Christmas.

In asking Londoners to contribute, the L. C. C. points out that if the children return to London, they will be coming back into the danger area and the evacuation scheme will be wasted.

New Zealanders Welfare Service

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A New Zealand War Service Association has been formed in London to look after the welfare of all New Zealanders who arrive in Britain to serve in the Army, Navy, Air Force or other services.

It will work in conjunction with the Royal Empire Society, the Y.M.C.A. and other organisations, and will be mainly run by New Zealanders.

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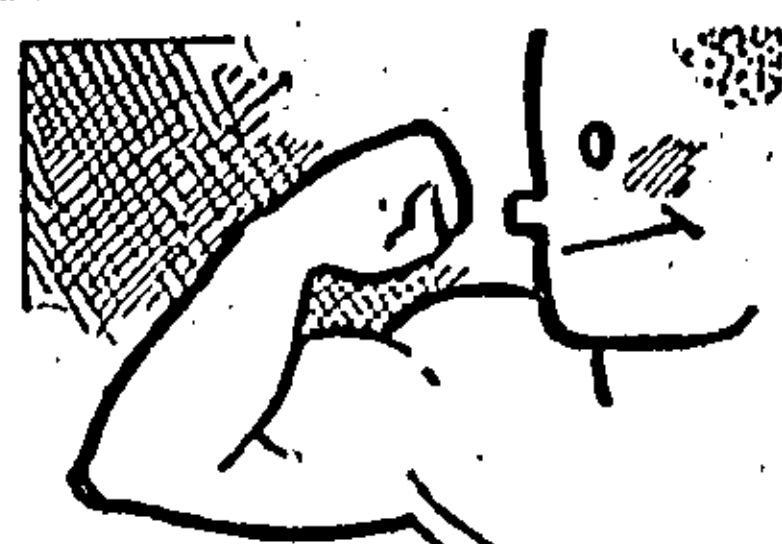
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Price Of Admiralty

OFFERED a choice of how to
die, most men would wish, as
the noblest end, to give their
lives in the protection of their
country and all that it stands
for.

That was the destiny of over
250 of the crew of H.M.S.
Rawalpindi, the converted mer-
chantman, so well-known in
Hongkong, that was destroyed
earlier this week in an unequal
encounter with the third might-
iest warship in the Nazi Fleet.

To find a parallel for the
heroism of the men—they in-
cluded Mercantile Marine men
many of whom were probably
well-known in Hongkong, since
it is probable that the Rawal-
pindi retained her old crew when
she was taken over by the
Admiralty—you must search
back in history to the days of
the last war. Britain has far too

long an experience of naval war-
fare to suppose that, however
strong the British Fleet, it can
sweep an enemy from the seas
without injury. In the Deutsch-
land and Admiral Scheer type of
enemy we have two opponents
worthy of our steel and neither
ship will fall to the guns of a
cruiser unless skill and, to a cer-
tain extent, luck is added to the
encounter. The armaments of
the so-called "pocket battleships"
are superior to those aboard
cruisers and it will need one of
the heavier type British war-
ships to deal adequately with
these marauders.

Many Hongkong people who
have travelled Home on leave
aboard the "Pindi," as she was
affectionately called by her pas-
sengers and crew, will regret the
loss of this fine liner of the
P. & O. fleet. Her loss, how-
ever, is of less importance than
the loss of the gallant men who



THE CLIENT: "But have you no information for me about a tall, dark man?"

What happens to the PRIZES OF WAR

by George Edinger

AT the western end of
the Law Courts, in a
courtroom usually de-
voted to the hearing of
Divorce Cases, Britain's 700-
year-old Prize Court sits again.

Sir Boyd Merriam, President of
the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty
Division, tries the issues. If they
are technical or complex, he may
be assisted by assessors from
Trinity House. But they are gener-
ally simple enough.

Is the disputed cargo lawful
prize or not? If it is, then it must
be condemned and sold. If not, it
is released and the Crown pays
compensation to the owner.

The cases are tried according to
International Law as it has grown
up during the past three centuries
of war at sea.

According to the Law of Nations,
all enemy ships are lawful prize
except hospital ships and ships
engaged on scientific missions. So
are all enemy cargoes in British,
allied or enemy ships.

And so far Germany has been
deprived of nearly half a million
tons of vital necessities because of
the activities of the British and
French Navies.

But enemy cargoes in neutral
ships and neutral cargoes in enemy
ships are lawful prize only if they
can be proved contraband of war.

States at war themselves proclaim
the list of articles they consider
contraband.

If a cargo in a neutral
ship is partly contraband and partly harm-
less, then, according to the
"Doctrine of Infection," the con-
traband goods taint the rest, and
all goods belonging to the owner
of the contraband are lawful prize.

All the goods so taken at sea and
condemned by the Prize Court be-
long to the Crown. But in 1337
the King of England made over
that right to the officers and men
who actually took the prizes. And
that remained the custom down to
1914.

Prize money, in fact, was more
than any other, the bait that lured
recruits into the eighteenth cen-
tury Navy. But when the World
War broke out in 1914, that old,
romantic, but unjust, system was
ended.

In order that men whose duties
kept them with the Grand Fleet

served in her. "The price of
admiralty is heavy." Those who
pay it for us now, when admir-
alty means the safety, honour
and welfare not only of our
Commonwealth of Nations, but
of freedom throughout the
world, have laid on us the duty
to be worthy of their sacrifice.

every person aboard the sunk or
captured vessel.

The record sum won in prize
bounty was the £31,000 awarded to
the officers and crew of submarine
E-14. They sank a Turkish troop-
ship in the Sea of Marmara in
May, 1915. That was a test case,
for the Law says that prize bounty
can be distributed only for the
sinking of an armed ship, and this
transport, it was argued, was not
an armed ship.

However, there was a battery of
Krupp guns mounted astern, and
as the Court eventually held that
the arms need not be attached to
the ship the prize bounty was
finally paid out.

But there is neither prize money nor
Prize Bounty for ships taken in har-
bour, in the words of several German
merchantsmen were taken at the begin-
ning of this war.

In the 13th Century, when the Lord
High Admiral's Court was first evolved,
to handle prizes, the Common Law of
England laid down that while prizes
taken at sea were the King's property,
those captured in harbour were a per-
quisite of the Lord High Admiral.

There has not been a Lord High
Admiral for a hundred years. His per-
quisites have devolved on the Ad-
miralty, which, being a Government
department, now devotes their proceeds
to the relief of taxation by paying
them into the Consolidated Fund.

Obviously, much of the zest and
glamour the words "prize money"
evoked of old has evaporated
since the prizes were taken from
the actual captors. And yet there
are still cases where the captor
retains his ancient rights. They
are called cases of Prize Bounty.

Prize Bounty was first devised
by Oliver Cromwell to meet the
complaint that, while sailors who
took a merchantman received the
proceeds of her cargo, those who
captured a warship got no prize
money at all. Originally it was
distributed among crews who took
or sunk an armed enemy ship, at
the rate of £20 for every gun on
an admiral's ship, £16 per gun on
a vice-admiral's, and £10 per gun
on all others. Now it is £5 for

each gun on a ship of the line,
£4 for each gun on a second-rate
ship, and £3 for each gun on a
third-rate ship.

During those years the law of prize
and the nature of contraband have
changed with the ever-changing
nature of war at sea.

Yet the English Prize Court has re-
mained essentially the same as it was
in the days when Drake and Blake
stood up to give their evidence
before its judges: a tribunal of im-
mense authority extending over all
the seven seas, whose skill and fairness
have been admitted by twenty gen-
erations, neutrals and enemies.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I wish you'd stuff a shirt in Junior's mouth—I'm trying to
listen to this programme on child psychology!"

Nazi Plaint—

Wanted: More Officers

WHAT is the calibre of the new
German army? What is
the effect of the changes that
have been carried out in it since
1918?

Like everything else in a totalitar-
ian State, publication of strength or
of material is very rare, and it is
difficult to estimate numbers. In
November, 1938, however, the Ger-
mans published some significant
figures, namely, the number of divi-
sions and higher formations that
already existed in time of peace.
There were then six Army Groups,
18 Army Corps, 39 divisions, four
light divisions, five tank divisions,
three mountain divisions and a
cavalry Brigade.

The total of 51 peace-time divisions
may very well have advanced this
year to 60 or more, and it is quite
possible that it would be 120 divisions
at war strength.

Contrast With France

Measures of mobilisation have for
some time been in force and classes
that had not served a full period of
two years have received special in-
struction. The difficulty, however,
remains that only three of these dis-
persing in 1937, 1938, 1939 are avail-
able as trained reserves, though most
of the other classes have been trained
from time to time for short periods.

Germany has a stock of 5,000,000 sol-
diers that the French possess, who
have all done their complete periods
of service in the ranks.

The officer situation is also a great
difficulty. Field-Marshal von Blom-
berg, the former Commander-in-
Chief of the Armed Forces, and his
generals at the time that the new
army was formed had a great tussle
with the party leaders as to the
material from which the new officers
were to come. The Nazi leaders
wanted them to be party men, where-
as the generals insisted on looking to
the old class of officers for future
supply.

The generals won, but it really
meant that for a number of years
they would lack a solid "middle
piece" for their regimental officers, as
all the senior ones were having very
quick promotion. When I attended
the manoeuvres in 1936 and 1937 the
only officers in the units of any
seniority were the battalion and bat-
tery commanders. Apart from them
they were mostly 2nd lieutenants and
not more than one of them per com-
pany or battery.

This lack of experienced officers
will be one of Germany's great handi-
caps in war.

Disposing Her Resources

Let us turn now to the possibility
of the dispositions of Germany's 120
or 130 divisions. In September last
Germany disposed 32 divisions to
deal with Czechoslovakia, only nine
divisions on the Franco-Belgian front
and the rest in reserve or in East
Prussia. She assumed that France
and Britain were not going to fight
and relied on nine divisions and her
fortress troops to hold the Siegfried
Line.

On this occasion the situation is
radically different. On her eastern
front she has the country which she
desires to crush as soon as she can.
But the Poles are no mean adver-
saries. They have a population of
30,000,000 and 30 peace-time divi-
sions. Their moral is excellent and
they will fight to the very end.

All recent fighting with the
machine-gun arm, increased as this
has been goes to show that the
greater power lies with the defence
and the Poles should be able to take
full advantage of it. Their Army.
PLEASE Turn To Page 3.

ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

Carrying A Torch For Benchley



America's No. 1 Funny Man

Hongkong Will See 1939 War Films

FOLLOWING the outbreak of war, many film companies in England have closed their studio doors, the employees having joined the Services.

The Alexander Korda studios at Denham, however, are working at high pressure on British propaganda films.

Many of these films will be shown in Hongkong in the near future.

Singing the praise of British at war, Korda's film, "The Lion Has Wings", made with the co-operation of the Royal Air Force, will be screened locally early in the New Year. It will be released by United Artists.

Some of Britain's leading film stars, Merle Oberon, Ralph Richardson, June Duprez, Flora Robson, Robert Douglas, Anthony Bushell and Derrick de Marney are included in the cast of the film.

KIEL RAID

Mr. Korda's film, which shows a reconstruction of the Kiel Raid, had special showings in London for the King and Queen and for the Admiralty, Air Ministry and Government officials. Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, was present at one show.

Another British propaganda film which will be shown here shortly is "An Englishman's Home", made by an independent British film company just before war was declared, and released by United Artists. This film has been banned at home, but it will almost surely be shown in Hongkong.

It is doubtful whether "U-Boat 23", made at the London Film Studios in Denham, will be shown locally.

This film was banned last week in Singapore by the Malayan Film Censor, no reason for the ban being given. The film will go up before the Malayan Film Committee of Appeal.

SPY FILM

Under the title "Spy in Black", it ran for four weeks at the London Odeon and was generally released throughout Great Britain.

The story of the film deals with the attempt of a German submarine in the extreme north of Scotland to harry British merchantmen, but whose efforts are foiled by a British officer and his wife.

Conrad Veidt, in the role of the German commander of a Nazi submarine, heads an imposing cast which includes Sebastian Shaw, Valerie Hobson, Marius Goring and June Duprez.

"Dr. Livingstone—I Presume?"

Arrangements have been made for the screening of "Stanley and Livingstone" at the King's Theatre this week-end.

In this Twentieth-Century Fox film, Spencer Tracy takes star honors as Henry Stanley, reporter of the "New York Herald" who was handed the toughest assignment of 1870, "Find Livingstone."

DONAT FILM

The British production, "Good-bye Mr. Chips", starring Robert Donat, will be screened here early in the New Year at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

This film recently celebrated its sixth consecutive month at the Astor Theatre, New York.

A LOCAL PROBLEM

IF there is one protest which fans may justly make to Hongkong picture house proprietors and distributors it is this: Why don't you show us more Robert Benchley shorts? and why, when you have one to show, don't you advertise it in the Press and spare us the regret of missing such a treat?

Most picture-goers know the name of Robert Benchley, but even those whose attendance at shows is only casual probably know him by sight—and are undoubtedly much the better for it. The mere recollection of such oddments as "How to Train a Dog," "How to Bring Up a Child," "How to Be a Detective" and the priceless "How to Go To Sleep" is a treat.

NONSENSICAL HUMOUR

At the age of 50, Benchley is generally accepted as America's No. 1 Funny Man. He doesn't like the idea and persists in thinking that he missed the boat somewhere and has made a horrible hash of his life; but the truth is that nonsensical humour simply spills from him, and while he can keep readers, radio audiences, and the picture public holding their sides he seems destined to go on being funny.

Benchley, in appearance, is podgy and untidy, but his fat face is one of the most eloquent things in pictures to-day. Last year American film fans proclaimed that this fat face was next to cartoons, what they most wanted to see in shorts—and their verdict is one which will

Newsreels Latest

Of interest to many cinema-goers in Hongkong is the news that the King's and Majestic Theatres have contracted Universal Pictures to show the latest newsreels rushed here by Clipper from America.

The King's Theatre will show these newsreels right on delivery. They will be screened at the Majestic Theatre immediately afterwards.

undoubtedly meet with the approval of Hongkong's discerning picture addicts.

America's No. 1 Funny Man has recently signed a new contract with M.G.M. which will keep him busy in feature pictures and making shorts for some time to come and a word uttered now must be in good time to warn cinema proprietors and distributors that when he comes to town the Hongkong public wants to be told about it.

BENCHLEY PROGRAMME

In case this ardent campaigning for Benchley sounds like just one man's opinion, I suggest that the movie house owner test the extent of Benchley's appeal by ferreting out all the available Benchley shorts and presenting a Benchley programme. If Betty Hop and Eye can rope 'em in, Benchley will bring 'em in a stampede.

But, first and foremost, if it is only by the use of type that the very bottom of your picture ads, let us know when Benchley is on tap—"Athos."

CLEAR WARNING

Chinese Judges Find Grim Memento

Shanghai, Nov. 28. Two Chinese judges and the Municipal Council Chinese District Attorneys have received letters warning them of assassination if they prosecute the assassins of Judge Yuch Hwa, Presiding Judge of the Chinese Appeal Court, who was fatally shot last week.

One of the judges found a dagger stuck in his door when he returned home last night. To-day he requested "sick leave."

So far the assassins of Yuch Hwa have not been captured. Although a political motive is possible for Yuch Hwa's death in view of the Japanese desire to obtain control of the Chinese Court in the International Settlement and French Concession, it is recalled that his remark before he was shot, "This is to remind you that you made me lose my case,"—United Press.



Carola Goya, the celebrated Spanish dancer, and Beatrice Burford, American harpist, who will give a concert at the Roof Garden, Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday.

SPANISH DANCER TO GIVE CONCERT

WHEN war broke out, Carola Goya, famous Spanish dancer, Beatrice Burford, American concert harpist, and Emilio Osta, their accompanist, were in Cape Town fulfilling an initial season organised by the Columbia Concert Corporation of New York.

They had planned to cross the Atlantic to fulfil their winter bookings in America, but, on consideration, revised their original schedule by arranging to travel back across the Pacific.

Local Dancing Display

JUDGING from the dress rehearsal which took place on Sunday morning, the annual dancing display by Violet Capell's pupils will be pleasant entertainment.

The show is being held this afternoon at the King's Theatre.

The two main numbers of the show are "A Woodland Idyll" and "The Water Babies." The first of these story-telling numbers takes place in a wood. A little girl (Christie Brown) is lured into a forest by butterflies. The evening shadows fall and she cannot find her way home. The bats come out heralding the approach of night. She sleeps until the morning mists and a sunbeam awaken her. The birds come hopping out and lead her out of the wood.

Little Christie Brown shows a fine sense of rhythm and mastery over difficult steps. The two other solo dances, by Helen and Stella Ho, are especially good.

The "Water Babies" number is really delightful enabling the young pupils to display their knowledge of dancing. Isolda Ahwet, as Tom the chimney-sweep who has been changed into a water baby, is a changed little dancer who will captivate the audience. The scenery in this number is particularly effective.

There are numerous short dances in the programme the most outstanding being a Chinese Fan Dance by Audrey Ho, a colourful balloon dance by the elder pupils, a solo tap dance by R. Yul and Fire and Water by the Brabury Sisters.

All Violet Capell's pupils appear in the jazz finale which is tuneful, bright and rhythmic. The blue and yellow costumes in this number are most effective.

Christmas Pantomime

"Ali Baba" the Y.M.C.A. Christmas pantomime, will be held on December 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24. The production will be on an even more lavish scale than last year with over 60 members in the cast. The book, especially written by Mr. W. Colledge, deals with the story of Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves.

Mrs. Organ is taking the leading role assisted by Mrs. Lockhart as the Sultan. Many members of Hongkong's popular younger set will appear and some twenty children, specially trained by Miss Daisy O'Keefe, will supply the dancing. Captain Fetherick has undertaken the duties of Stage Manager.



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Around The Courses

WINDY WEATHER AT SHEUNGSHIU

Penalty Strokes For Hitting Flag From Within Twenty Yards

(By "Birdie")

A MORE DIFFICULT WIND for golf than that of Sunday can hardly be imagined. I do not know quite how bad it was at Fanling, where there is a certain amount of shelter from the trees, but the brawny Scotsmen seemed to have weathered it in fine style—judging by the result of the annual Societies match.

At Sheungshiu, on the open Country Club course, it swept unimpeded right across the line of holes, and made it a most unfortunate day for the playing of the first round of the Ladies Cup competition. Scores reached colossal proportions, but I will not mention them.

Worst of all, it was impossible to keep the sand on the greens. The wind swept them bare, and left only the clay upon which to putt. The rain, however, had made them soft, and when one was canny enough to make wind allowances, approach shots stayed there.

In fact after playing them, it seems indicated that until grass greens are forthcoming, the Club has a solution to its greatest problem; namely, how to deal with the greens when they harden. And that is keep them well watered and thus soften them.

There was, however, only one surprise result, and that was the clinching of Miss Molly Churn by Miss L. G. Ablong.

The results were:
Mrs. Leo D'Almada beat Miss L. Heang 4 and 3.
Miss A. Sequeira beat Miss A. Williams 6 and 4.
Miss L. G. Ablong beat Miss M. C. Churn 6 and 4.
Mrs. A. J. Kew received a walk-over from Mrs. F. E. A. Remedios.

The first two named winners, therefore, will meet in the semi-final on Sunday next, as will Miss Ablong and Mrs. Kew.

HITTING the flag has twice occurred during rounds of the past two weeks. From the edge of the green, on the first occasion, the player's chip shot rolled gently up to the hole, tapped the flag and rebounded about three inches. Neither he nor the caddy anticipated such and neglected the precaution of removing the flag when within twenty yards of it. The result was that instead of having a birdie 3, the ball went down in 6. The extra putt and the two strokes penalty. This, too, was in the Captain's Cup qualifying round!

The second occasion was on Sunday last. The flag had been blown

Keeping Watch On Golf Amateurs

The United States Golf Association is keeping a watchful eye for violators of the amateur code. Each entrant in the 1939 amateur championship was asked to name his employer, the nature of his employer's business and the nature of his own business.

Dick Chapman, one of the contenders, worked as a blues singer. In the early days of the championship such a regulation would have brought out the fact that many of the contestants were rich men's sons.

Rugby

Royal Engineers Beat Scratch Navy Side

In a rather ragged rugby game yesterday, Engineers defeated Navy 21 points (three goals and two tries to three (a try) at Sookunpoo.

Walle and Pickett scored twice for the Sappers, Birrell once and Pike converted three tries. Thorburn scored the Navy's only try.

Scorers were: Otway, L/Cpl. Birrell, L/Cpl. Pickett, Spr. Martin, Spr. Artingsal, L/Cpl. Walle, L/Cpl. Pike, Spr. Devlin, Spr. Cunningham, Spr. Farquharson, Lt. Cuthbertson, L/Cpl. Sheldrake, Spr. Pike, Navy—W. E. Smith, Lt. Corcoran, S. B. A. Addie, L. W. Barlow, M. J. Jeffery, L. Charles, Tel. Ryan, S. B. A. Davies, L. Sig. Thorburn, L. Sig. Ingalls, A. M. Foster, L. W. Ferris.

down by the wind and was lying at right angles to the approach. From 50 yards, or thereabouts, the ball ran up to the flag—a yard wide of the hole—and struck it, and instead of carrying on for another three or four feet, stopped dead, and left the player in a position from whence he required only one putt. I have failed to find anything in the Rules which implies a penalty for this, and have since wondered what would have been the case had the flag been lying at an angle sufficient to deflect the ball into the hole.

The difference of these two cases seems to emphasize the unfairness of the Rules re-playing within twenty yards of the flag. It is hardly likely that from within twenty yards, a player is going to hit his ball with strength sufficient to make it travel a great distance past the flag. If it were so one could more readily understand the two strokes penalty, but the odds very definitely are that the ball would not run over the green. By hitting the flag, therefore, and stopping, a player has only gained the return approach putt.

Two strokes penalty seems a little hard. In the first of the two incidents cited, instead of having three strokes, for there was no doubt but that the ball would have dropped into the hole. In the second case, from 50 yards, the approach was stopped and the player gained a stroke. It would have been the same had the flag been standing upright.

I'm not saying that it was not the first player's fault for not removing the flag (knowing the Rules)—I am merely pointing out what to me seems unjust about the Rule.

SUNDAY last was the closing date for entries for the Country Club Junior Championship. There were only thirteen names down, which number makes it unnecessary to play the qualifying round which was scheduled for the coming week-end. The first round proper will be played on December 17.

C. Suen (73) and S. V. Gillins (72) qualified for the Captain's Cup competition over the past week-end.



Following the hounds over the Fanling countryside on Sunday during the Fanling Hunt.—Ming Yuen.

Huge Fee For Dempsey To Referee Garcia-Lee Bout In Manila

TO THE FAR EAST, the Ceferino Garcia-Lee battle at Rizal Stadium, December 16, which will be refereed by the great Manassa Mauler, Jack Dempsey in person, is unquestionably the Battle of the Century.

The only thing which can be said to approach it, even distantly, states the Manila Bulletin, is the scrap between Pancho Villa and Clever Sencio, both now in the Valhalla reserved for the ring's foremost warriors. That was back in 1924, in Manila.

But there was no Dempsey to referee that fight. At that time, Jack Dempsey was heavyweight champion of the world. He was getting huge sums for merely endorsing medicines, or—hotels, or—fact, his manager, Jack Kearns, received the enormous price of \$200,000 just to endorse Nuxated Iron, a patent remedy.

LARGEST FEE IN HISTORY

JACK Dempsey is receiving the largest fee in the history of boxing, to referee the Garcia-Lee fight—\$15,000, with approximately \$4,000 for transportation, in addition.

The fact that Manila is paying Dempsey this sum has proved the greatest advertisement the Philippines have received, in American papers, in many years. Every paper in the United States carried the story—many with headlines stretching across eight columns.

It revives the recollection that Frank A. Churchill, one of the greatest figures in boxing history once wanted to bring Benny Leonard and Johnny Kilbane to the Philippines, to box that amazing wonderboy of the ring, Depeno Cabanena. When Churchill exhibited his offer to Leonard and Kilbane, the former then lightweight, the latter featherweight champion, they laughed uproariously—then both went to the library to learn where the Philippine Islands were located.

Thanks to the great parade of ring men which the Philippines have sent to the States, nobody has to look at an atlas, now, to ascertain the location of the Philippines. Everybody knows, now—and you can thank Filipino fighters for it.

The day after Garcia knocked out Apostoli, the greatest papers in New York carried long stories about Filipino fighting men.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

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Girl Basketball Tourists Return

The Hongkong Girls' basketball team which left for Manila about a month ago returned yesterday after a successful tour, during which they won five matches, lost four and drew one.

Hockey

R. Engineers Win Again In Assn. Tourney

THROUGH A GOAL scored in the second half by Homburg, Royal Engineers won their Hockey Association tournament match against R.A.O.C. 1-0 at Sookunpoo yesterday.

The defenders of both teams played well and staved off many quick attacks. The Engineers' forwards were slightly quicker than Ordnance and also showed more ball control and accurate shooting.

Play in the first half was fairly even, and the second period saw both teams opening vigorously. Homburg broke through the defence and netted a high shot to give Royal Engineers the only goal of the games.

Both the R.A.O.C. forwards and defenders played hard but the former lost several attacking opportunities which spoiled chances to score.

The two goalkeepers, Dobson for R.E. and Osmund for R.A.O.C., distinguished themselves by good play. Russell, Goodwin, Bowling and Marriott proved formidable defenders for the winners. Stone and Lock were prominent amongst the hard workers of R.A.O.C.

Cricket

'HAT TRICK' FOR SGT. DENYER

Fortress R. Engineers Defeat R.A.O.C.

OUTSTANDING BOWLING by Sgt. Denyer, of Fortress Coy., Royal Engineers, who performed the "hat trick," featured the cricket match played between Royal Engineers and R.A.O.C. at Sookunpoo yesterday. The Engineers won by 61. Denyer took four wickets for one run in two overs.

Engineers—110 (Spr. Ratcliffe 45, Capt. Freeman 33, S. M. Green 22, not out; R. P. Linn, W. Hong Bing, C. Wicks, R. Youngs, Scorer, W. Broadbridge, Umpire, G. Ladd).

R.A.O.C.—49 (Sgt. Emberson 15, S. Sgt. Gardner 10, Denyer 4-1, Cpl. Parsons 4-10).

Volunteers XI

The following will represent the Volunteers against the Civil Service C.C. on Sunday next at 11.30 a.m.: R. M. King, J. N. Anderson, C. Baker, D. G. B. Garry, B. J. Cooke, D. C. Day, E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, E. C. L. Soares, A. Zimmerman and F. R. Zimmerman.

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Lawn Bowls

Northumberland And Durham Assn. Rinks

The following rinks will represent the Northumberland and Durham Association in their annual lawn bowls match against the Yorkshiremen's Society at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday, December 2 at 2.30 p.m.:

E. Purvis, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, T. E. Robson and J. Fraser, J. Hemmings, C. Turpin, G. Henderson and V. Ramsey, C. Cowland, Dean Wilson, S. Hodge and T. A. Carr.

Reservists—W. Hudson, W. Greig and W. Mulcahy.

Island Eleven To Meet Mainland

The following have been selected to represent the Island in a charity hockey match against the Mainland on December 10:

Mrs. Lunsford (H.K. Ladies); Miss E. M. Gray (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Strange (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Stone (H.K. Ladies); K. M. Pocock (H.K. Ladies); and Miss B. Greaves (St. Andrew's); Mrs. Burnett (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Gardner (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Skinner (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Bates (H.K. Ladies); and Miss A. Purves (H.K. Ladies).

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE TWELFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 2nd December, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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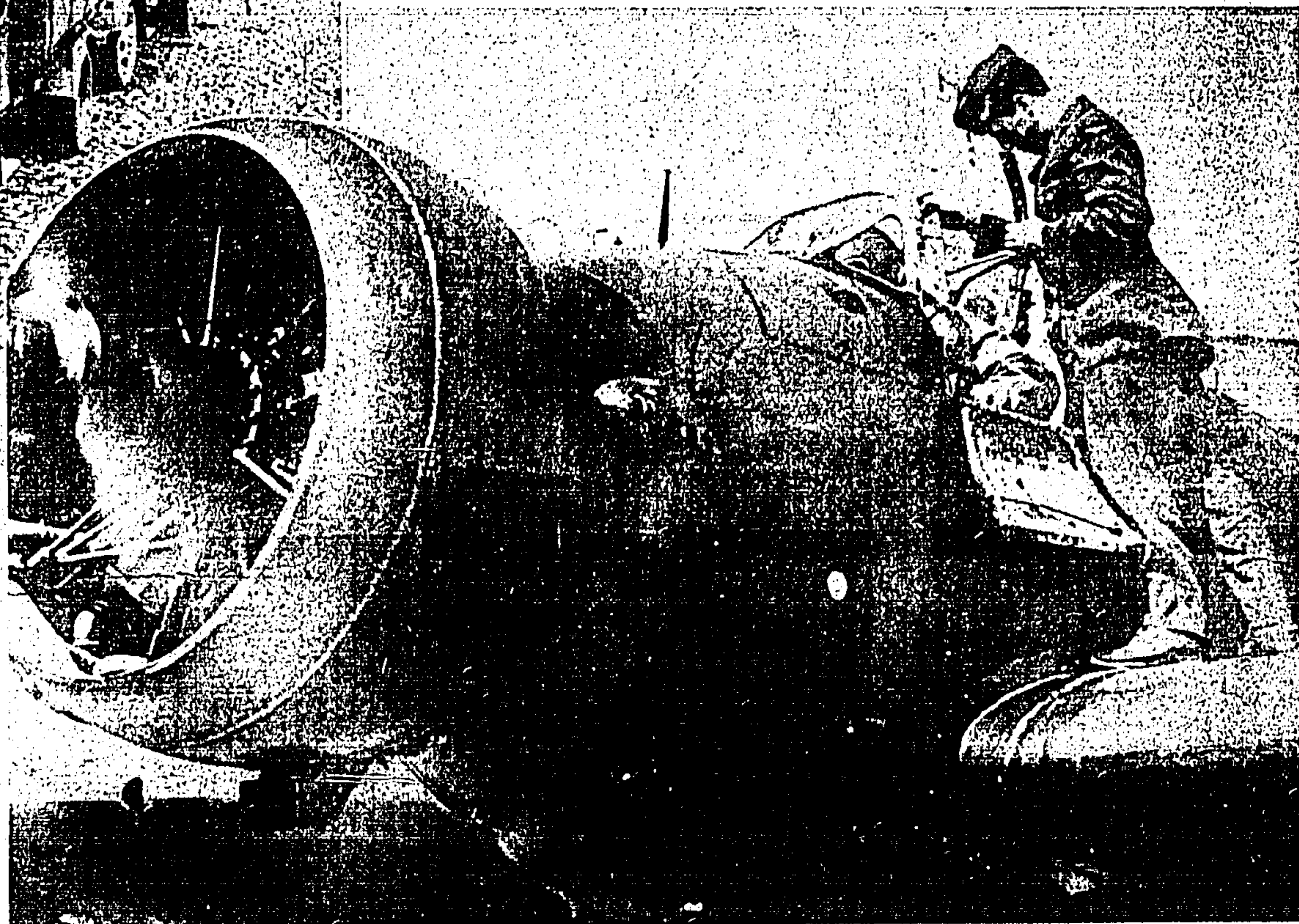


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TWO OFFICIAL photographs from France. LEFT, a detachment of Tommies who have just made a halt in a French village for their midday meal have named their leading lorry very appropriately. They exhibit all the signs of cheerfulness on route to the front. BELOW.—A fitter checks up with the pilot before the latter takes off from a secret R.A.F. base in France for a reconnaissance flight over Germany.



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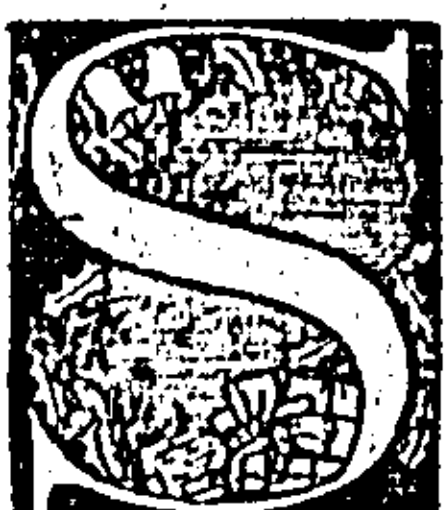


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The last week in November marks the commencement of pudding making. I do not make them all from the same recipe.

For Christmas Day I like a traditional old-fashioned recipe—something dark and rich-looking, in keeping with the great day.

Then I have another mixing from a recipe with a story, such as is used in Buckingham Palace, or sometimes I get a recipe from the chef of a famous hotel or one that I have tasted and found very good. These I put into small basins and give as presents. I buy pretty basins for these with flowers painted on them.

Famous Chef's Mixture

My extra special recipe is from the head chef at the Dorchester Hotel in Park Lane. It is the same as is served there.

You may like to try it too.

Ingredients: 1lb. shredded suet, 1lb. raisins, 1lb. sultanas, 1lb. currants, 1lb. mixed peel, 1lb. apples peeled, cored and chopped fine, 1 orange rind (grated), and juice of orange, 1 tablespoon mixed spices (1oz.), 1lb. brown sugar, 1lb. breadcrumbs, 2oz. flour, 4 eggs, 1 wineglass brandy, 1 wineglass rum, 1 small bottle of stout, 1 lemon rind (grated) and the juice of a lemon.

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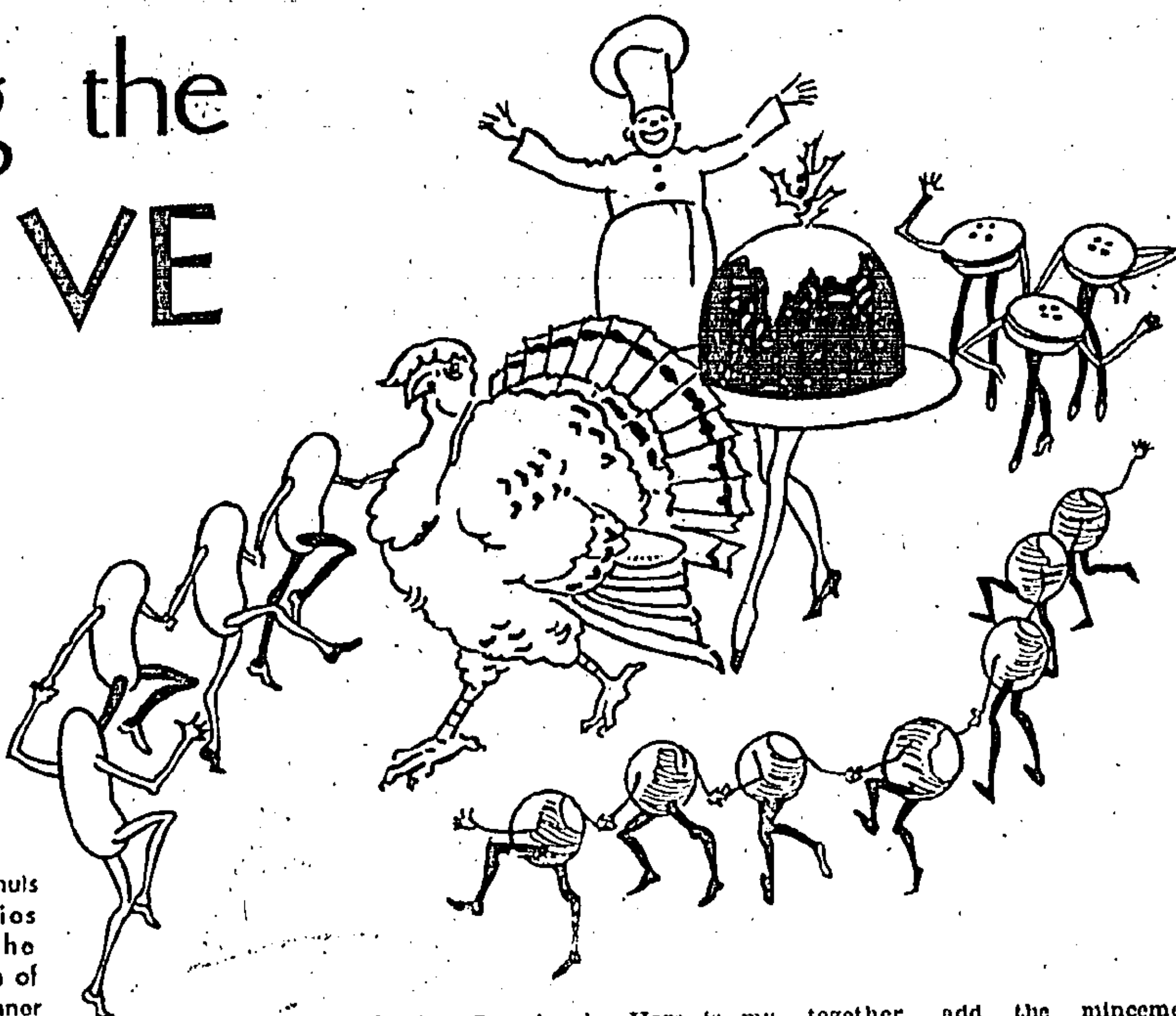
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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING



by Mrs.
BARDELL

Planning the FESTIVE FARE



well greased and sugared, cover with a piece of buttered paper, and tie up with a pudding cloth. Boil for three hours, according to size, and set aside in a cool place. This recipe, you notice, has only four eggs in it, so that it is not as expensive as it sounds.

New Recipe Pudding

For home consumption you might like to try this recipe. It is very good eaten cold and is lighter

in texture than many recipes I have tried. This is doubtless due to the use of margarine.

These quantities make 4 small puddings, so that you can adjust them if you are going to have a large family party to entertain at Christmas.

Ingredients: 10oz. self-raising flour, 10oz. breadcrumbs, 12oz. Stork margarine, 12oz. sultanas, 12oz. currants, 12oz. candied peel, finely chopped, 2oz. citron peel, cut in slices, 1 apple, peeled and grated, 1 orange rind and juice of 2 oranges and 2 lemons, 2oz. almonds blanched and shredded, 1lb. demerara or granulated sugar, 2 tinsap. ground ginger, 2 tinsap. mixed spice, 1 tinsap. salt, 4 tinsap. brandy, 1 tinsap. milk, 8 eggs.

Brush four pudding basins with melted margarine, and prepare four double thicknesses of greaseproof paper, brushed with melted margarine, to go over the basins, and four pieces of string long enough to go twice round the top of the basin and tie in a bow.

Sift the self-raising flour, ginger, spice and salt together. Prepare the fruit, almonds and candied peel. Grate the rind from the oranges and lemons and squeeze out the juice.

Mix in a large bowl the dried fruit, almonds, candied peel, grated apple, orange and lemon rind and sugar. Add the sifted flour, spices and breadcrumbs.

Important Stirring

Stir thoroughly, melt the margarine and add it to the mixture. Whisk the eggs, add to them the milk and the brandy and the orange and lemon juice.

Pour this liquid into the pudding and stir until well moistened. Leave the pudding to stand over night, cover with a clean cloth, in the morning, all the basins, cover with paper and tie them down firmly. Steam for 6 hours.

On Christmas Day, steam again for 4 hours. If boiled only half the time is required.

Puddings on the shelf, then cake making begins. Only one or two keepers are necessary; the rest I make the week before Christmas with the pastries.

Here is a good keeper recipe. I make this in an oblong tin as it is easier to cut into smallish pieces. Most people only want a taste at tea-time after the big dinner.

Christmas Cake

Ingredients: 1lb. flour, 1lb. butter, 1lb. castor sugar, 1lb. ground almonds, 1lb. glace cherries, 1lb. Sun-Maid seedless raisins, 1lb. citron peel, 1lb. lemon, 1lb. orange, 1lb. glass brandy, 8 eggs.

Cream butter and sugar together, grate in rinds of orange and lemon peel, and beat in eggs one at a time with a little flour.

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Boxing Day Pie

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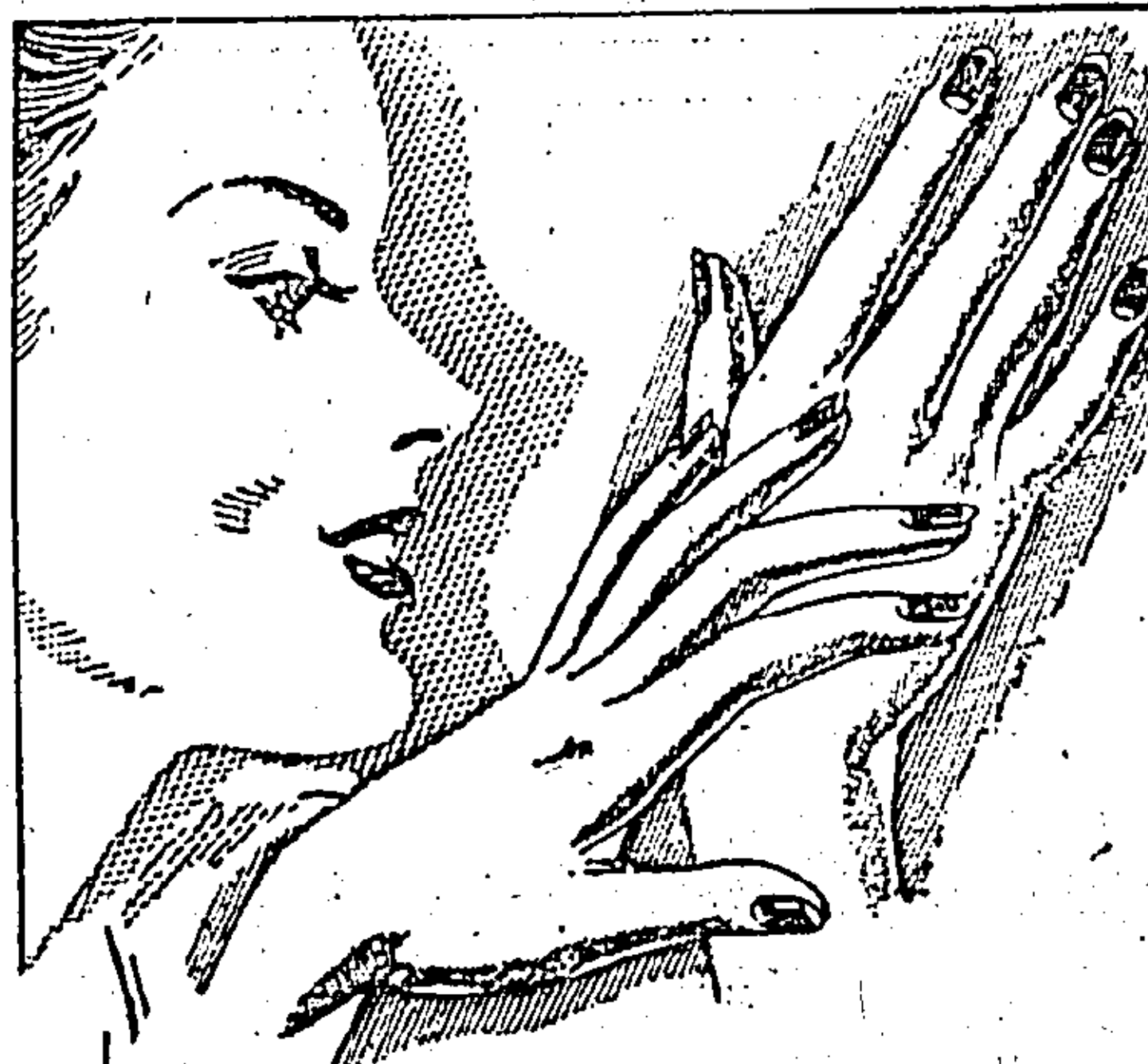
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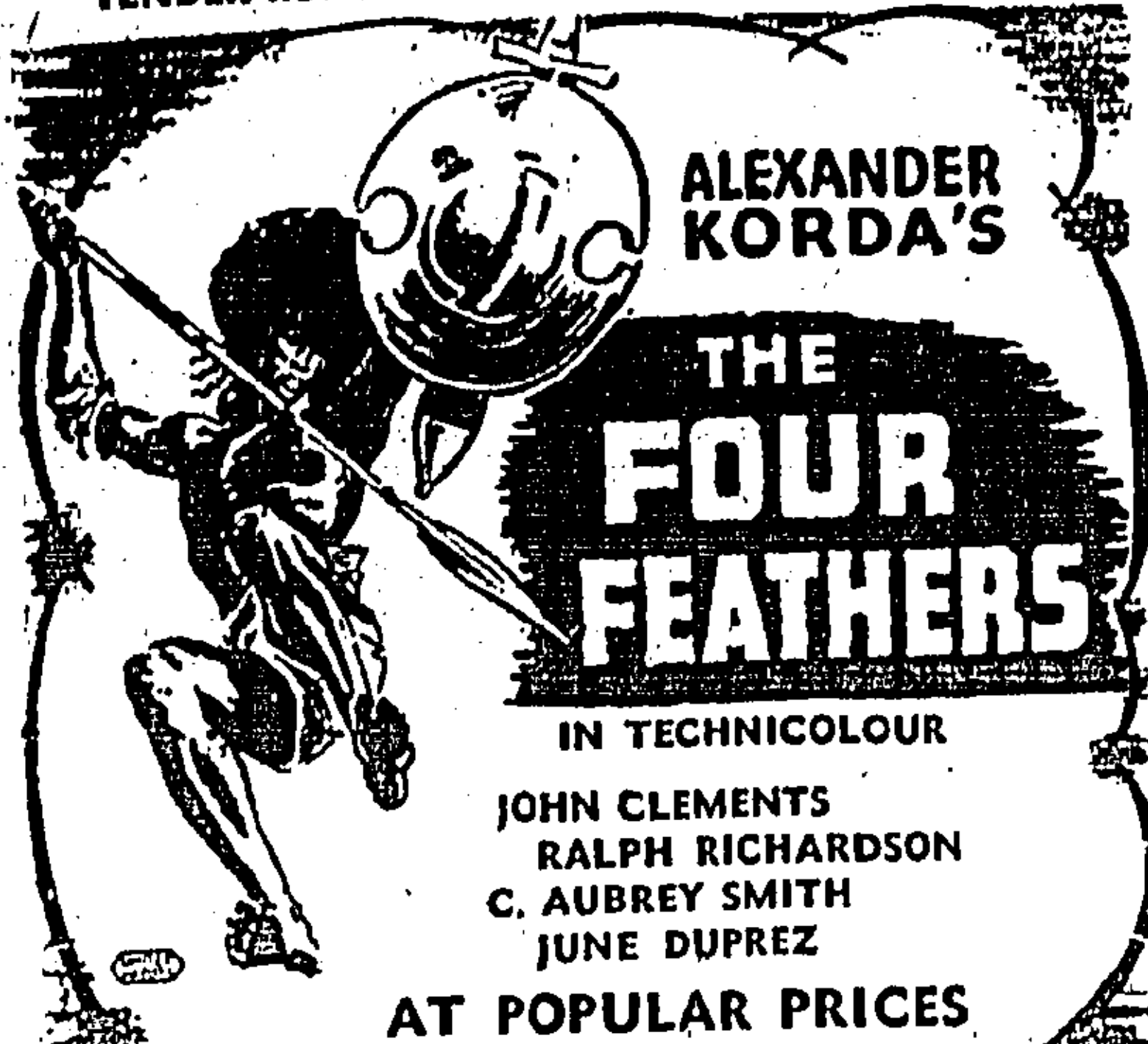
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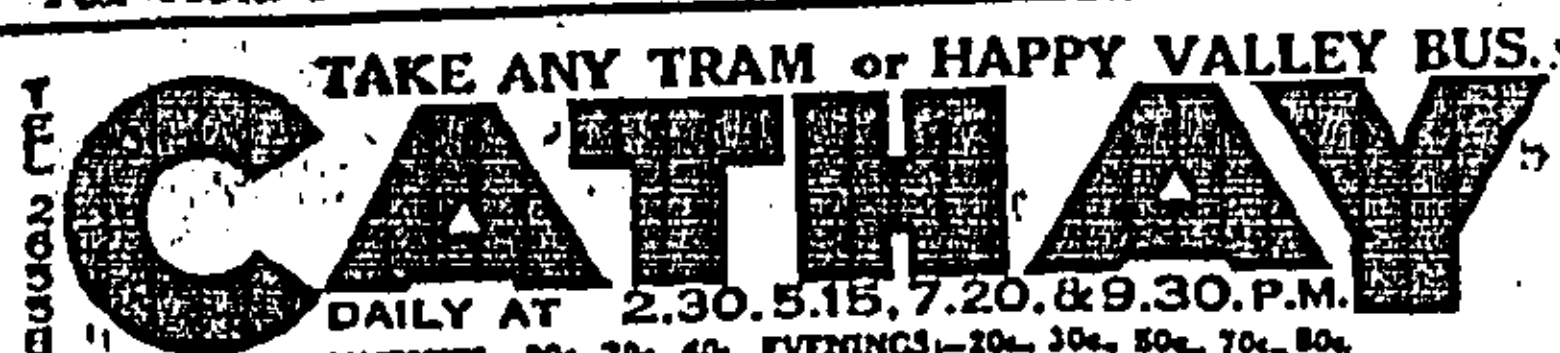
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HITLER BOMB —Inside Story

THE Munich bomb explosion, in which Hitler missed death by fifteen minutes, was plotted by Monarchists who want to see Germany ruled by a "puppet" Kaiser under General Goering.

This statement was made by Dr. Kurt Wietshelm, one of the leaders of the German Freedom Party, central organisation of anti-Nazi working inside Germany.

Dr. Wietshelm said:

"The plot had been worked out in detail. Hitler was to be assassinated in circumstances that would throw the Nazi Party itself into turmoil, by splitting it into pro-Hitler and anti-Hitler factions.

"Then Goering, whom Hitler has nominated his successor as Chancellor, was to step forward, form a Supreme Directorate consisting of the leading army officers and restore the Monarchy."

PLOT DISCOVERED

"Some time ago Field-Marshal August von Mackensen and Admiral Ehrhard von Schmidt visited the ex-Kaiser at Doorn.

"Then General von Fritsch, murdered because his Monarchist sympathies had been discovered, offered the Throne to Prince August Wilhelm, the ex-Kaiser's fourth and only Nazi son.

"The Military Directorate then agreed they would offer peace to the Allies based on the reconstruction of Czechoslovakia, a puppet Austria, and withdrawal from Poland on condition Russia also withdrew.

"If Russia refused, Germany would join the Allies against her.

"Everything might have worked to plan, but Himmler, head of the Gestapo, discovered the plot in time to foil it."

Nearly Betrayed When Called 'Sir'

THIS is a tale of a Scotsman who fooled the Russians, fooled them so well that they called him "comrade," and even made his cousin a militiaman in the Russian forces. He got his wife out of Poland disguised as a peasant woman.

His name is Mr. M. D. MacBury. His ancestors fled to Poland after the battle of Culloden Moor in 1746, as did members of other Scottish families, including Douglasses, MacLeods and St. Clairs.

They intermarried with the Poles, but kept up their Scottish traditions. Mr. MacBury farmed his own land in Poland when the Germans marched in. He had no desire to be interned, so he left with his wife, 10-year-old daughter, and his chauffeur, just one hour ahead of the Germans.

Their journey across Poland eastwards was like that of many other refugees.

They slept in ditches, in fields; they ate turnips; they were machine-gunned by low-flying Nazi airplanes as they lay in potato fields.

"They picked us off like part-ridges," he said.

At 3 a.m. on Monday, September 18, they arrived in Vilna, nearly exhausted.

At 2 a.m. on Tuesday Mr. MacBury awoke to hear a rumbling in the streets. He looked out of the hotel window to see a row of tanks slowly going by, the pointed headgear of the Russians just showing as they peered cautiously around.

"SIR" WAS NEARLY FATAL

Mr. MacBury speaks fluent Russian, as he was a member of a military mission to Russia during the war. He learned from the driver of one of the tanks, with whom he exchanged jokes and cigarettes, that the road to Lithuania was open to "our" troops.

"I asked a man wearing a red armband if there were any way in which I could get a licence to wear one.

Mr. MacBury, with permits and armbands, but on the steps of a commissariat the chauffeur nearly gave the game away.

"What shall we do now, sir?" he whispered.

Mr. MacBury went white. "For pity's sake don't call me sir! I'm 'comrade' to you, don't forget."

"Very good—comrade."

"We were stopped by more tanks outside the town, but once again some Russian jokes and cigarettes came in useful, and we got safely to Lithuania," says Mr. MacBury.

MAN BEHIND SECRET RADIO

Otto Strasser, leader of the German rebel Black Front who is soon to visit London, is the man behind one of the two "German freedom" radio stations now sending out news and anti-Nazi propaganda.

Known as "the man Hitler fears," Herr Strasser made his first experiments with secret wireless transmissions at Prague in 1935. He was then charged with infringing radio regulations.

He has applied for permission to visit England through the British Consular authorities in Switzerland, where he has been in exile since his quarrel with Hitler after the Nazi purge of 1934, in which his brother Gregor was killed. Permission is likely to be granted, as he is classed as a "friendly alien."

Strasser believes he can be of use to Britain. British authorities think the same.

GALLANT PILOTS DECORATED

British Airmen Show
Courage And Skill

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The award of three more Distinguished Flying Crosses is announced, with details of the recipients' gallantry.

The first award is to Squadron Leader P. R. Barwell, who led a flight of six aircraft over the North Sea to intercept nine enemy bombers approaching a British convoy. Barwell downed one enemy and then in co-operation with two other pilots destroyed another.

Ultimately six, possibly seven, raiders were brought down.

Downed Two Raiders

The second award is to Pilot Patrick Gifford who, leading a section of his squadron, sighted an enemy machine over the mainland heading to the sea.

As a result of his skill, daring and determination, the enemy crashed into the sea.

Later in the same month (October), an enemy bomber, apparently reconnoitring a British convoy, sought cover in the clouds.

Gifford gave pursuit and eleven miles from land the raider, evidently damaged, crashed into the sea.

Prevented Escape

The third award is to Flight Lieutenant G. C. Pinkerton. Leading a section of his squadron, Pinkerton engaged an enemy bomber which attempted to escape in the clouds, but owing to Pinkerton's skill and initiative, it crashed into the sea.

Scots Concert To-morrow

Gala Entertainment At
Hongkong Hotel

The Hongkong Hotel will be the venue of an important social gathering on Friday night in celebration of St. Andrew's Day. Special variety turns will be presented at the "Gripes" in honour of the occasion by Dave Harvey and the Dyer Sisters, June West and Kay, and Mignone.

As there is to be no St. Andrew's Ball this year, the Society have arranged for a concert to take place earlier in the evening at the King's Theatre.

The Chieftain of Hongkong St. Andrew's Society, Dr. G. D. R. Black, will entertain H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote to dinner at the Hongkong Hotel. The official party will then proceed to the King's Theatre for the concert, the proceeds of which will be given to the British War Organisation Fund.

Special musical arrangements of popular Scottish melodies will be played by the Band of 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, the Hongkong Reel Club will present the Highland Fling and Argyll Broadsword, Scottish songs will be sung by Doris Blair, Ella Logan, and Jean Greig. Pipe Major Macleod will give a bagpipe selection accompanied by Lieut. A. R. Colquhoun on the accordion.

Following the concert, many members of the local Scottish community will adjourn to the Hongkong Hotel for a social gathering.

A TWENTY-ONE-YEAR-OLD student, so brilliant that his professor considers he will influence the future, has been granted unconditional exemption from military service by the Bristol Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal.

He is Richard Haig Walters—his parents called him after the famous Field-Marshal because he was born in the last week of the last war.

Describing Walters, who lives in Grace-road, Downend, Bristol, as possessed of "exceptional ability," Professor G. C. Field, of Bristol University, wrote: "If he is able to continue his studies he is likely to make valuable contributions to thought and scholarship."

Walters told the tribunal that his objection to taking part in the present war was based on religious and moral grounds.

PROFESSOR WAS PRISONER

Professor Field, who himself joined the Army in 1914 and was taken prisoner by the Germans, said afterwards that while he did not share Walters' views, he considered it an extraordinary waste to force a man into the Army when he was exceptionally able unless he himself felt a strong urge to go.

"Walters," he said, "is one of those men who may contribute an influence towards clear and systematic thinking on questions of human behaviour. Such men will be needed after the war. He is about the best student I have had since I came to Bristol 13 years ago."

COMPARED WITH WELLS

Professor Field added: "He has a different type of mind from H. G. Wells, and he has not the same overwhelming flow of novel ideas, but I consider that he is better than Wells is now."

Walters said that he hoped people would not think he had been favoured because of some supposed exceptional ability.

"My people do not see eye to eye with me over this matter. You can see that from my second name. At the moment it is proving rather a handicap."

Walters is a member of the Vegetarian Society and of the Peace Pledge Union. His father, who has worked as a traveller, said that his son had always been of a high standard of intelligence.

Walters is in his third year at Bristol University, and is studying English and philosophy with a view to teaching. He has an educational grant which assists him to pay for his university career.

Nazi Morale Weakens

Internal Wranglings
Help Allies

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Speaking before the Chelsea Conservative Association, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Lord Privy Seal, said that in the early days of the war the Nazi Government felt that the agreement with the Soviet gave them the balance of power.

This had not been the case and as a result there had been endless discussions at the Nazi Supreme Headquarters, rumours of wrangling, outbreaks in Czechoslovakia and Austria, and misgivings in Germany itself.

It could not definitely be said that German morale was likely to break, but the past twelve weeks had left Hitler weaker and enabled the Allies to strengthen their position.

GERMANS SEIZE DANISH SHIP

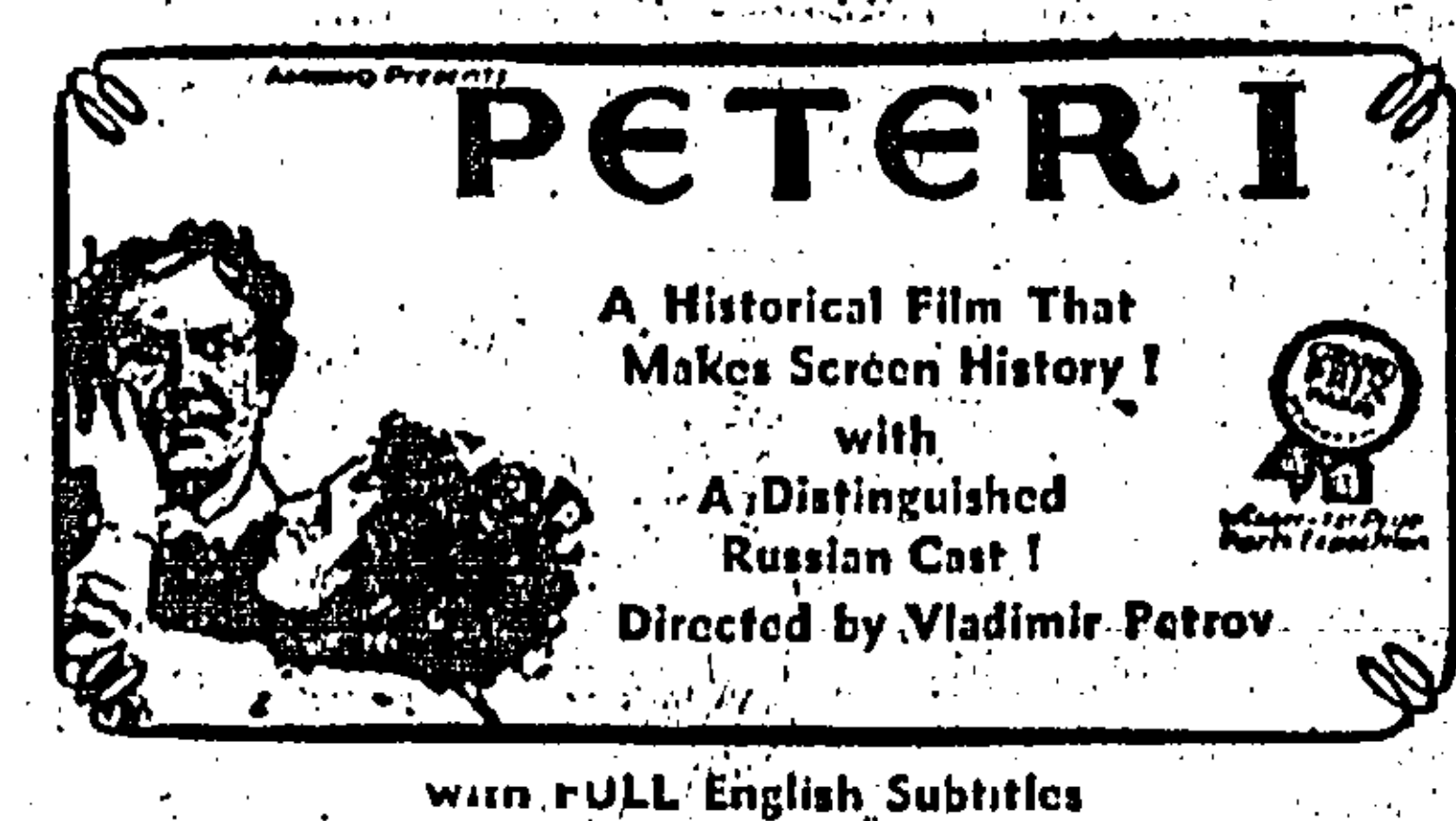
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—It is reported that a Danish ship has been seized by a German warship while waiting off Stockholm for the pilot.

She was carrying a cargo of coal for the Stockholm electricity works.

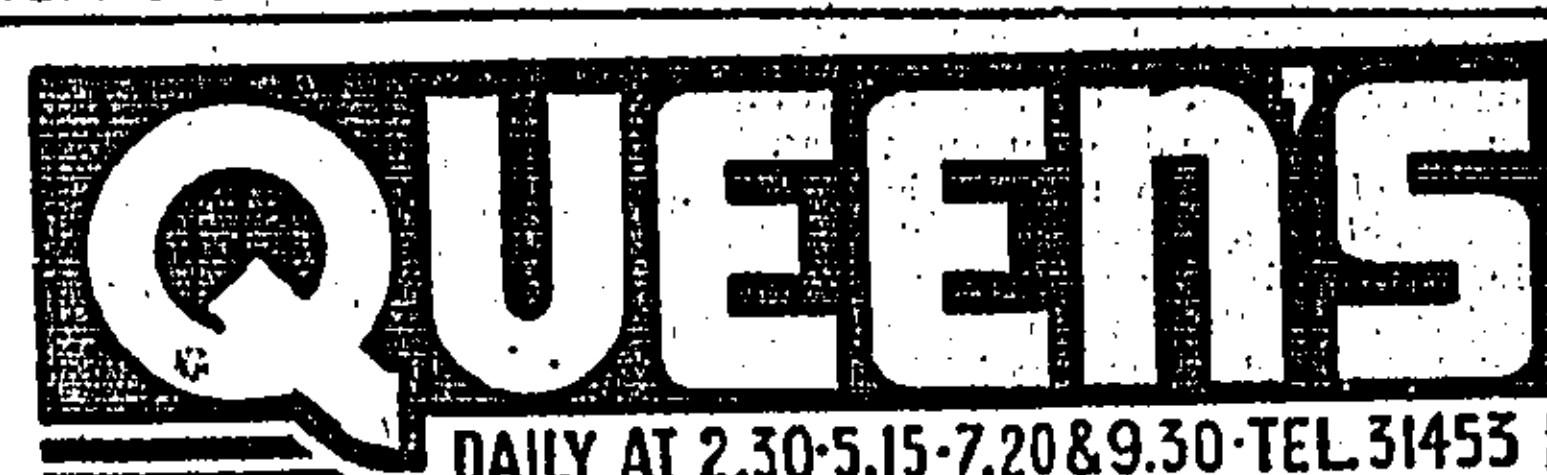
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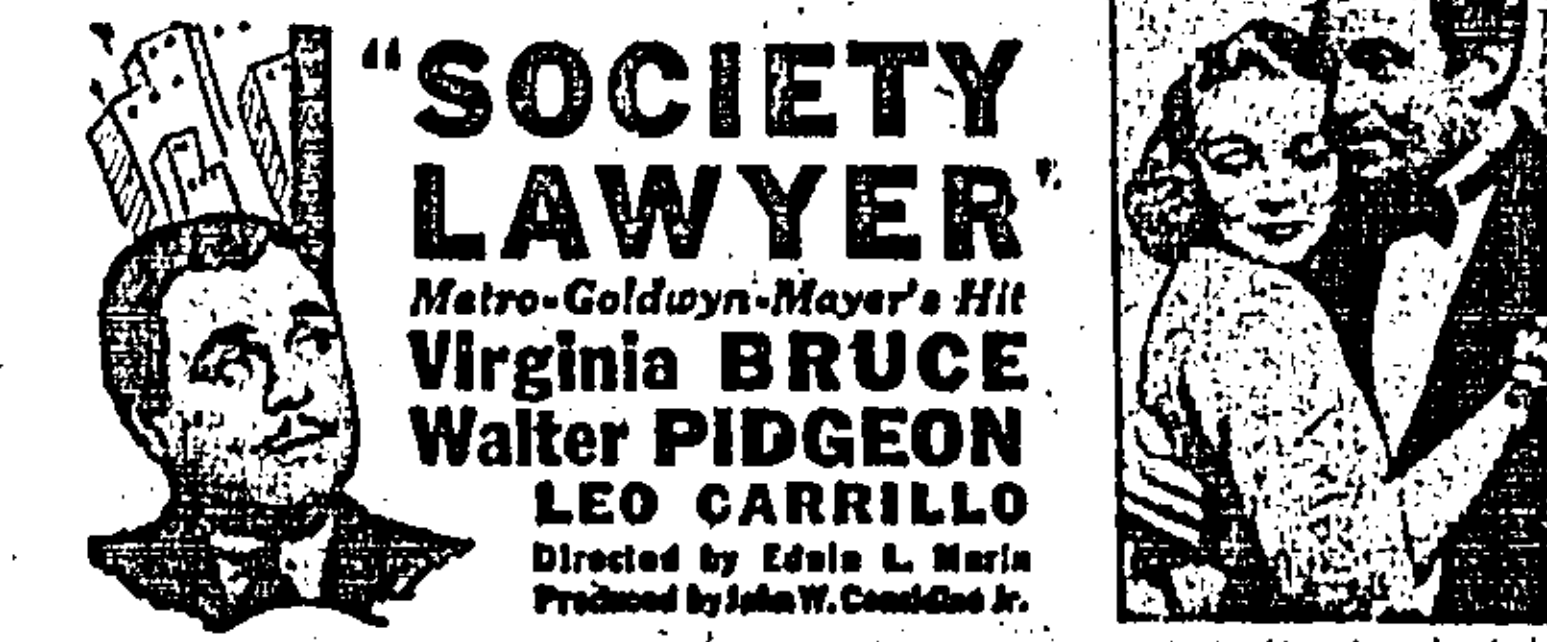
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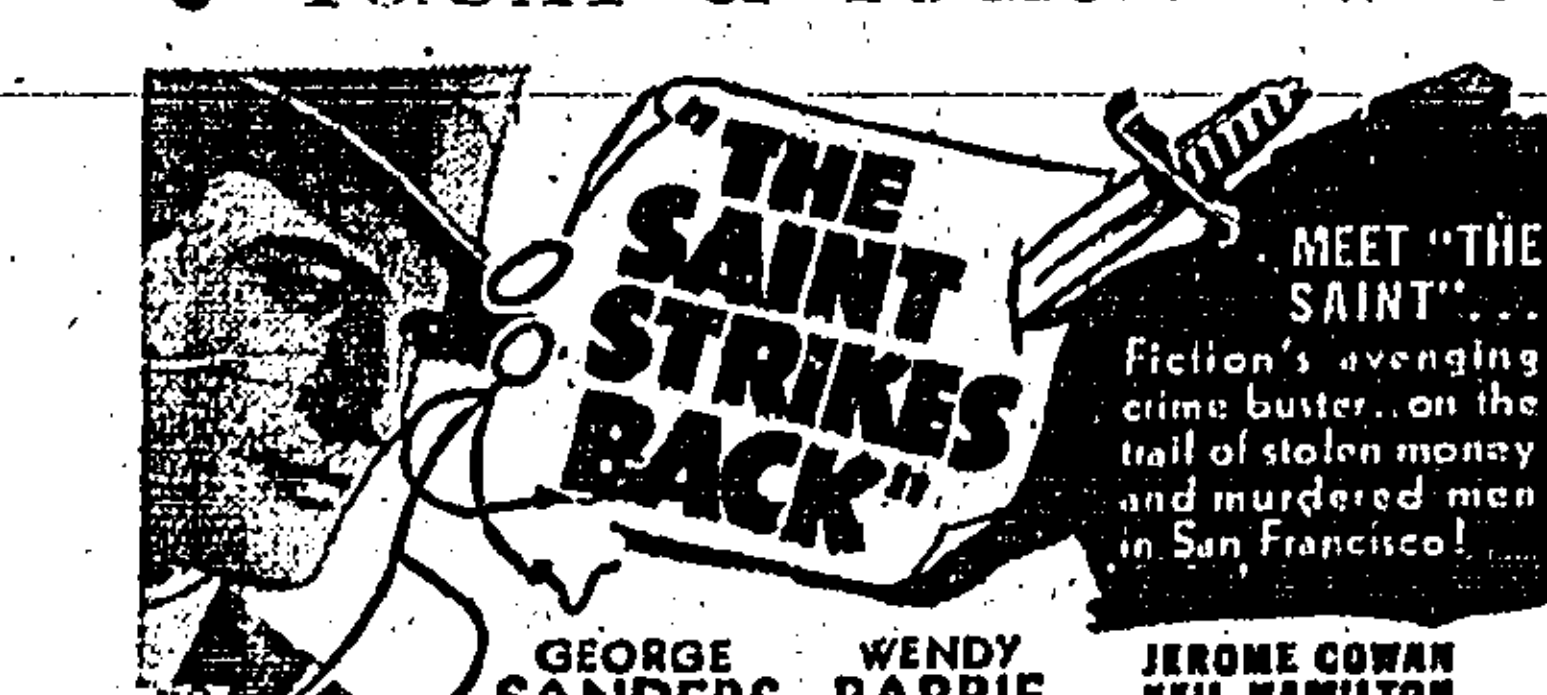


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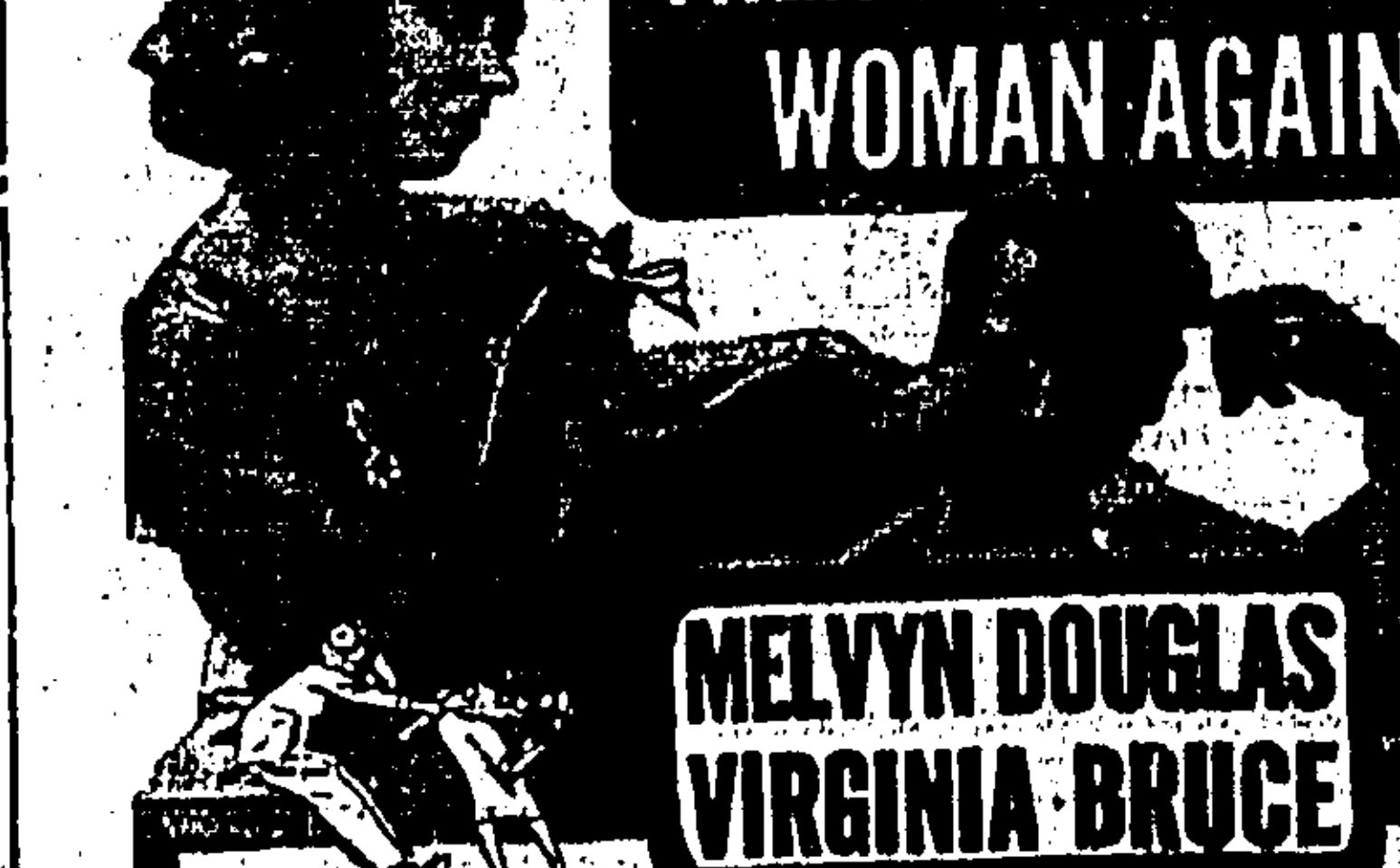
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War At Sea Is News To-day

U-BOAT CLAIMS "HERO" CRUISER

LIEUT. GUENTHER PRIEN, the youthful Nazi U-Boat Commander who claims to have sunk the Royal Oak at Scapa Flow, has claimed another victim, which he describes as a 10,000-ton British cruiser of the London class. Naval circles in London do not confirm the claim. But a special commentary discloses that it is probably another German exaggeration.

German CLAIM

German LIES

Prien's Victory Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—An official Nazi announcement claims that a U-boat has torpedoed a destroyer and a heavy British cruiser east of the Shetland Islands.

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—Naval circles in London say they have absolutely no confirmation of the Berlin claims.

U-Boat Commander's Claim

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—An official announcement here today claimed that a U-boat commanded by Lieutenant Guenther Prien, the young rosy cheeked "hero of Scapa Flow," has sunk a 10,000-ton British cruiser of the London type—either the "Shropshire," "Sussex," "Devonshire" or "London," all of which were completed in 1929 and which carry a normal complement of 650 men.

This loss would constitute the tenth British warship and the tenth German sea victory, according to Nazi claims.

Carry Heavy Armament

The London type of cruisers carry eight 8-inch guns, eight 4-inch, twenty smaller guns, eight torpedo tubes and catapults for aircraft.

The ship in question was apparently north of the Scapa Flow base in the Orkneys when she was "sunk."

Nazi's Outstanding Hero

Lieutenant Prien is a vigorous, handsome 30-year-old officer. So far he is Germany's outstanding naval hero. He has been personally decorated by Hitler, and Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, praised his skill and daring in the House of Commons report on the sinking of H.M.S. Royal Oak, in which 810 British seamen lost their lives.

It may be recalled that Lieutenant Prien was confident after the Scapa Flow raid that he had also destroyed a second unidentified warship.

"Nothing Is Known"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Information states that nothing whatever is known in London about the German story of the alleged sinking of a British cruiser.

Claims 700 Lives

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—The German Admiralty claims that 700 lives were lost when the "British cruiser was torpedoed."

THE RAWALPINDI

Nazi Version Of Battle

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (UP).—Authoritative sources here claim that the British armed merchant cruiser Rawalpindi was sunk "by a group of German surface boats, including heavier units, in the first surface engagement of the war."

Battle In Bad Light

The German Official News Agency describing the sinking of the Rawalpindi says: "The battle was during the night in bad light."

"German artillery immediately hit the British cruiser which was enveloped in flames."

"Detonations were heard followed by an explosion and the ship sank immediately."

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WESTERN FRONT 'GENERAL WINTER' TAKES COMMAND

By RALPH HEINZEN
("UNITED PRESS" CORRESPONDENT)

WITH FRENCH ARMIES IN FIELD, Nov. 28

(UP).—Three armies totalling nearly 10,000,000 fighting men are engaged in preparing winter quarters to-day, as cold rains sweep the terrain from the sea to Switzerland.

Winter seems to be bringing to a definite end any possibility of an offensive before early next year.

Possibility of a winter campaign has faded as the continuous rains widen swampy fields, flood both large and small rivers, and thus establish water obstacles which no modern mechanised armies could pass.

There is not a single sign across the line that Adolf Hitler will give the order for an early attack.

Ports which filter through the lines, as in all wars, emphasize a lack of agreement between Hitler and many of his military advisers over the advisability of winter operations and an invasion of neutral states.

Everything Ready

So complete are the German preparations, however, that there is always the possibility of a swift and powerful attack. The German High Command has assembled in and just behind the Siegfried Line everything it needs for an attack.

Contact between the enemy forces were long ago established in "no man's land," and there is always the possibility that if Hitler can reach an agreement with his advisers on methods to be used, the German General Staff will proceed any day with an offensive action, without an intermediate period of intense patrol activity.

No-Man's Land

"No man's land," averages from one-half to one mile in width. It is not populated in the daytime, but at night—even when storms rage—it teems with actively patrolling patrols.

Where the enemy here and there, keep the two high commands familiar with everything that goes on behind both lines.

In many places there are abandoned villages in the middle of "no man's land." They are visited regularly each night by patrols to ascertain whether the enemy is endeavouring to take them. Often rival patrols meet in these abandoned villages. Arms automatically go into action and shots are exchanged.

Communications dispose of these encounters as "scattered action," and that, so far, has been the extent of action seen on the front.

Behind The Lines

Behind the lines on the French and British side of the western front, however, it is a different picture. Every hour of daylight is used to improve defences. These are especially adapted to the geographical features of the terrain, but they also form a part of the gigantic plan of border defences worked out long ago by the general staff.

The first phase of operations, lasting two months, consisted of digging protective trenches and tank traps—generally wide ditches with sloping approaches on the far side, and an abrupt wall on the defensive side—and the planting of artillery and anti-tank guns behind camouflaged and protective cover.

The second phase consists of constructing further means of impeding the progress of enemy tanks by planting mines and creating wide barriers by chopping down trees over corridors a hundred feet wide. Tanks trying to pass that barrier would crash through branches or be "pillared" and would become hopelessly entangled.

British Losses At Sea

LONDON, Nov. 28

(Reuter).—A special commentary states that the gross exaggeration of German broadcasts regarding the recent losses of British merchant shipping is revealed in the figures now published by the Admiralty.

These figures show that losses for the week ending at midnight on November 26 totalled 11 ships with a tonnage of 25,787.

The total losses since the beginning of the war up to the same date are: British 73 vessels, 288,169 tons; French 12 vessels, 11,150 tons; and neutral 43 vessels, 144,592 tons.

Comparison With 1917

These figures make an interesting comparison with April, 1917, in which month alone 180 British vessels with a total tonnage of 522,000 and 430 vessels in all, of a total tonnage of 852,000, were sunk.

It is also pointed out in London that the recent tendency of U-boat commanders has been to attack unarmoured merchant ships in areas protected by fishing trawlers in areas against submarine forces, is not expected.

Although only four neutral ships were lost as the result of German action during the past week, neutral vessels such as the Turkish Maru, Grazia and Silebrecht.

News of the sinking of the Silebrecht was received only last week.

All Nazi Exports Now Contraband

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—An Order in Council has been issued covering the extension of the contraband control to all German exports.

C. P. LINER WITHDRAWN

Though some of them were booked through to Shanghai and Vancouver, all the passengers aboard a Canadian Pacific liner disembarked when she arrived here from Manila this morning. There were, however, only a few in the first and tourist classes.

The ship is now understood to be under Admiralty orders and her future movements are unknown.

British Planes Raid Nazi Seaplane Base

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Brief details of the raid by British aircraft on a German seaplane base on Borkum Island, at the entrance of the estuary of the River Ems, are given in an Air Ministry communique issued to-night.

The base is used as a striking-off point for German machines which have been active in the Shetlands, Firth of Forth and North Sea areas generally.

Machine Guns And Bombs

The British planes swooped low and machine-gunned three German seaplanes resting on the water and bombed the shore establishment.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire greeted the British craft but they pressed home their attack and returned safely without loss.

Other machines made a further successful reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany.

A German statement, admitting the British raid on Borkum Island, claims that the British machines were driven off by A.A. fire before they could drop any bombs.

Nazi Version

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28, (UP).—It has been officially announced that Royal Air Force planes this afternoon raided Borkum aerodrome.

"They were driven off by machine-gun fire without dropping any bombs," the report claims.

It is also officially announced that the "attempted British air attack" on the north-west coast on Monday night was a failure. One raid was believed to have been forced down and lost in the North Sea.

(The London Air Ministry earlier announced a "successful" reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany.)

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CRISIS APPROACHING SHOWDOWN

Reds Denounce Pact with Finland



SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Nov. 29 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Soviet Union has denounced the non-aggression pact with Finland.

SOVIET DENUNCIATION

Abrogation of the pact becomes effective immediately.

The Soviet has also rejected the Finnish "explanation" of the frontier incident and has renewed demands for the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the border.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, in a brief interview with the Finnish Minister to Moscow, Baron Anno Koskinen, charged that the Finnish attitude is evidence of "deep hostility against the Soviet" and that "Finland shows a desire to bring the present crisis to a head."

Crisis Rapidly Approaching

As evidence that the crisis is rapidly approaching a showdown, the Red Army forces which were on the border previous to the abrogation, have now been ordered to return any fire from the Finnish side and to "annihilate" those responsible.

Reports from the Leningrad area facing Finland also indicate that the Red Army is prepared for action, while the Soviet naval forces control of Leningrad are described as being ready for all eventualities.

Not An Ultimatum

M. Molotov's renewed demand for the withdrawal of Finnish troops does not constitute an ultimatum as no time limit has been set.

He told the Finnish Minister during their 20 minutes conversation that the Soviet denunciation of the non-aggression pact was final.

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A.R.P. Workers in H.K. Will Be 'Green Army'

SMART and practical dark green uniforms have been designed to be worn by Hongkong's army of more than 9,000 A.R.P. workers.

At the new A.R.P. training centre, the old German Club at King's Park, the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote last week saw one of the proposed officers uniforms being worn for the first time. The proposed uniforms will serve for peace-time and wartime.

The material for the officers uniform is dark green drill. The style includes a cut down collar to be worn with a white shirt and black tie. It has two breast patch pockets and 14 in. attached belt. The letters A.R.P. in yellow are sewn on a red patch, worn on the top of each arm adjoining the shoulder. Badges of rank consist of one quarter of an inch yellow braid stripes on the shoulder strap.

The Chief A.R.P. warden has four stripes, Head Warden, three, Divisional warden two and District warden one.

Black Berets

Headgear is a black beret, with braid trimming on which the A.R.P. badge is pinned at the side. Footwear will consist of black shoes or boots.

The wardens uniform is as above except that a patrol type collar and no tie will be worn. Badges of rank consisting of horizontal yellow braid stripes one quarter of an inch wide, will be worn on the arm.

Senior wardens will wear one stripe. The letters H and K embroidered on each side of the collar will identify Hongkong and Kowloon wardens.

The wardens will take place to-morrow.

Denmark Bans Exports

Sequel To British Blockade Measure

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 28.—(Domg).—M. J. Kjaerboel, the Minister of Commerce, Industry and Navigation, has announced that the export of important goods from Denmark has temporarily been banned.

The embargo list contains many important commodities and is likely to have serious effects on the country's foreign trade.

The steps are understood to have been taken as a precaution against the British seizure of German exports on the high seas.

U.S. Ambassador At The Palace

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to London, was the guest of the King and Queen at luncheon to-day. He is leaving soon for the United States on holiday.

See Back Page For Further Late News

FRENCH CAPTURE TWO NAZI MERCHANT SHIPS

PARIS, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The capture of two German merchant vessels by the French Navy is announced in an official communique.

One of the vessels was of 4,000 tons and the other of 4,500 tons.

They had apparently left a Spanish port, in which they had sought refuge at the outbreak of war, in a desperate attempt to steal through the blockade.

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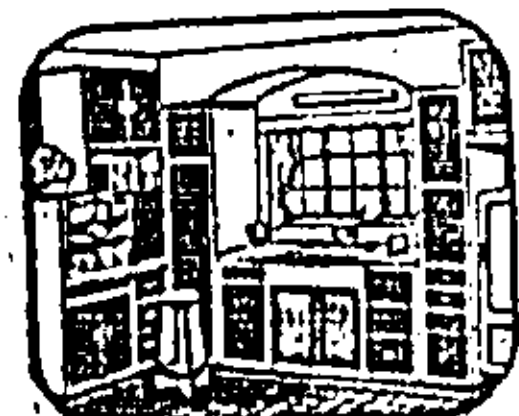
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THE TRANSFER BOOKS AND REGISTER OF SHAREHOLDERS will be closed from Friday, 1st December, 1939, to Friday, 22nd December, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JOHN V. BRAGA,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1939.

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Resentment At Nazi Mine Warfare

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—Newspapers are becoming more outspoken regarding the mine warfare, expressing alarm and indignation at the German interpretation of Holland's neutrality and asking what Germany expects Holland to do.

There is a suspicion in official circles that Germany would like to see the Dutch Navy convey German exports in Dutch boats.

The "Herald" writes: "Germany, despite mines and submarines, hitherto has not succeeded in preventing the British from patrolling the seas."

British Rule Waves.
"Perhaps she prefers to keep her cargo-boats at home rather than expose them to the danger of the seas, where the British rule the waves."

"What the mighty German war machine cannot do, little neutral countries are expected to manage."

"The torpedoing by a German submarine of the Siedrecht, a Dutch ship bound for neutral Norway, without the least help being offered to the crew, shows absolute minimum respect for neutral rights."

Armstrong-Ambers Welter Fight Postponed

NEW YORK, Nov. 28, (UP).—The New York State Athletic Commission has approved of the indefinite postponement of the scheduled welterweight title bout between Henry Armstrong, the champion, and Lou Ambers. Armstrong is suffering from a severe cold.

The Commission has authorized a substitute ten rounder.

GERMANS SEIZE DANISH SHIP

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—It is reported that a Danish ship has been seized by a German warship while waiting off Stockholm for the pilot.

She was carrying a cargo of coal for the Stockholm electricity works.

Ministerial Meeting

PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—An important meeting of ministers was held in the War Ministry last evening presided by M. Edouard Daladier. The meeting was attended by the Ministers of Finance, Navy, Air, Blockade, Agriculture, Trade, Public Works, Merchant Marine, Armaments and National Economy.

Control Enforced

PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—Although the Allied decision to seize German exports became legally effective last night, certain exceptions were made which will help neutrals.

Burgomaster Max's Successor

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BRUSSELS, Nov. 28, (UP).—The King of the Belgians to-day approved the election of M. Van Meulenbroeck as Burgomaster of Brussels, succeeding the late Burgomaster Max.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Nothing of any particular note transpired during the day. The market continues to maintain a stolid attitude and irritatingly refuses to indicate which way it would like to proceed, either upwards or downwards.

Buyers	Sales
Canton Insurances	\$198
Docks	\$184
Star Ferries	\$114
Yau-mat Ferries	\$224
Telephones (Old)	\$21.30
Entertainments	\$9
H.K. Bank	\$1,330
Docks	\$18.80/78
Lands	\$334
Macao Electric	\$17.60

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Mine Operations	17 1/2	B.
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Paracels, Gupay	34	S.
San Mateo	13 1/2	B.
Surigao Consol.	10	B.
Surigao Consol.	13 1/2	B.
Syndicate Int.	218	B.
United Paracels	21	B.

Britain's Air Superiority

Planes Are Better Equipped

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day dwells on the superiority of the equipment of the R.A.F. compared to the German air force.

Our bombers are fitted with gun turrets operated by power of the engine. The gunner can swing the gun himself in any direction without exertion.

Nazis' Disadvantage.
The Germans have no such turrets in their bombers and must therefore rely on speed and evasion owing to the difficulty of holding the machine gun steady at the present speeds of their aircraft.

The British eight-gun fighters have proved a great success whereas the German four-gun fighters are at a disadvantage.

Tests on a captured Messerschmitt 109 proved it to be a bad aeroplane.

Borah Arouses Hornets' Nest

Advocacy Of New Pact With Japan

CHUNGKING, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—An alleged statement by Senator William Borah advocating that consideration be given to a new trade treaty between the United States and Japan has aroused a storm of protest from American and Chinese organizations all over China.

Six Chinese organizations yesterday jointly called a protest to the Senator, while to-day Dr. Robert E. Brown, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, a director of the Emergency Office Council on Medical Missions in China indulged in some plain speaking on the subject.

Dr. Brown said: "Five hundred American doctors and nurses are working in the Mission hospitals in China, caring for the sick and wounded Chinese people, helpless victims of bombs and ruthless warfare."

Shocked, Disappointed.
"I am shocked and disappointed that Senator Borah and the isolationists desire to preserve our trade, largely in war materials, with a nation causing this inexcusable injustice and suffering."

"Shall Americans be Hessians and fight for profit and assist in destroying the Chinese people who are fighting for their land?"

Dr. Brown has just completed a survey of the medical relief work in 15 provinces, including all fronts.

He asks whether Americans will back missionaries or repudiate them and "choose the blood money of war profits."

Dr. Brown is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Mission and was connected with the Wuhu General Hospital for 20 years.

'GENERAL WINTER' TAKES COMMAND

(Continued from Page 1.)

Magnat Line sleep in villages and on farms. The only French troops to sleep in the open are those holding advance listening-posts and machine-gun nests. They are relieved regularly.

Troops who three months ago were civilian reservists working in offices and on farms have already become seasoned campaigners. There is no time to sleep—only 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.—for idleness.

Every soldier I have talked with is firmly convinced of the necessity of halting Hitler once and for all to end the series of crises Franco's turn.

They are firmly convinced of the impregnability of their border defences; and while most anticipate a long war, they also anticipate eventual victory.

Nazi Communiqué.
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BERLIN, Nov. 29 (UP).—The D.N.B. (Official German News Agency) to-day expanded the German High Command's report as follows:

"East of the Moselle, enemy artillery fired at the districts of Perl, Hammersberg, Tilling and Schmittern."

"German artillery fired at Infantry positions."

"Only a few reconnaissance actions are reported."

"A German officer advanced with a group and captured eight Frenchmen, including one officer."

"Air reconnaissance flights, in the face of bad weather conditions, have been of only minor importance."

FORMER DEPUTY CHARGED

Defeatist Group In France

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—M. Marcel Dent, a former Minister and Air Deputy, who is also a well-known writer, and 12 other persons were acquitted by a Military Tribunal on a charge of publishing a pamphlet calling an immediate peace which was circulated at the end of September.

The remainder of the 32 persons accused remain within the jurisdiction of the Court as fresh charges have since been brought against them.

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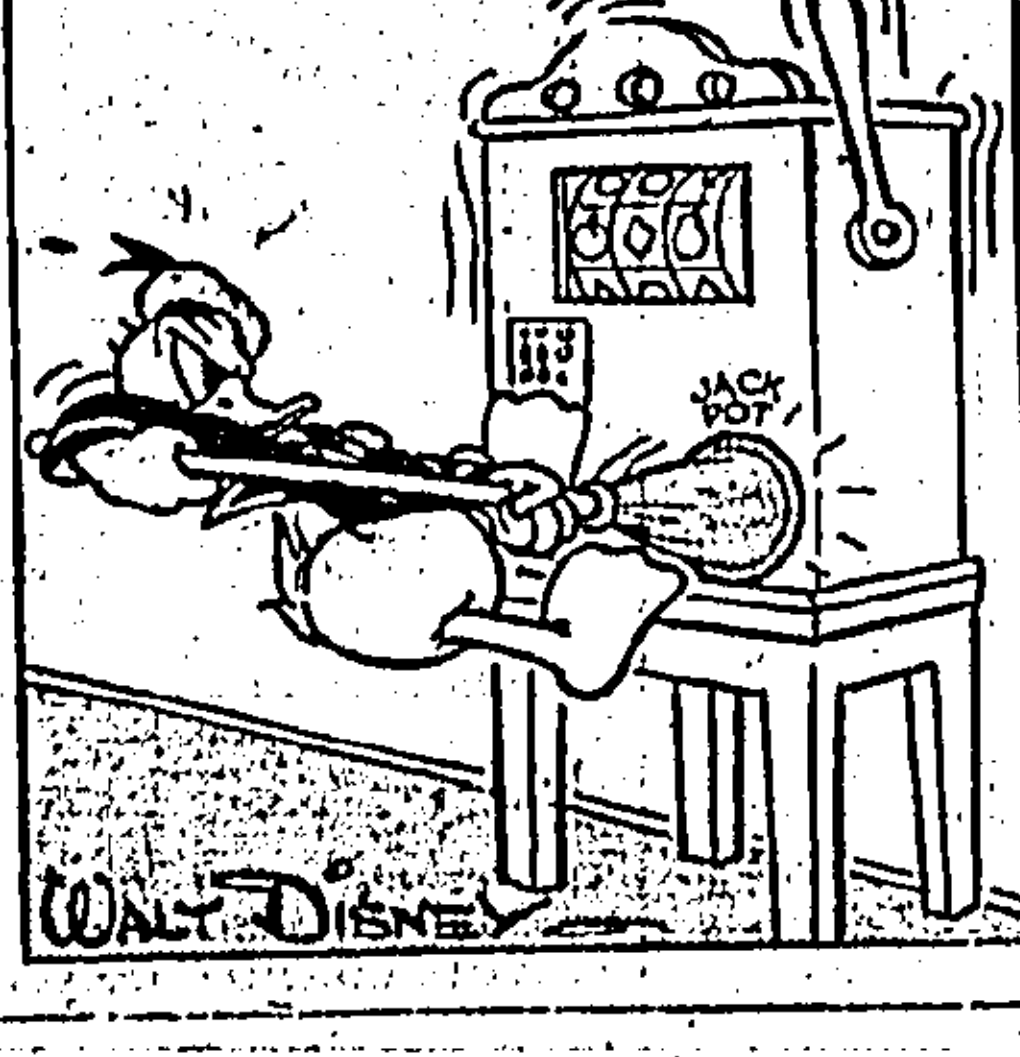
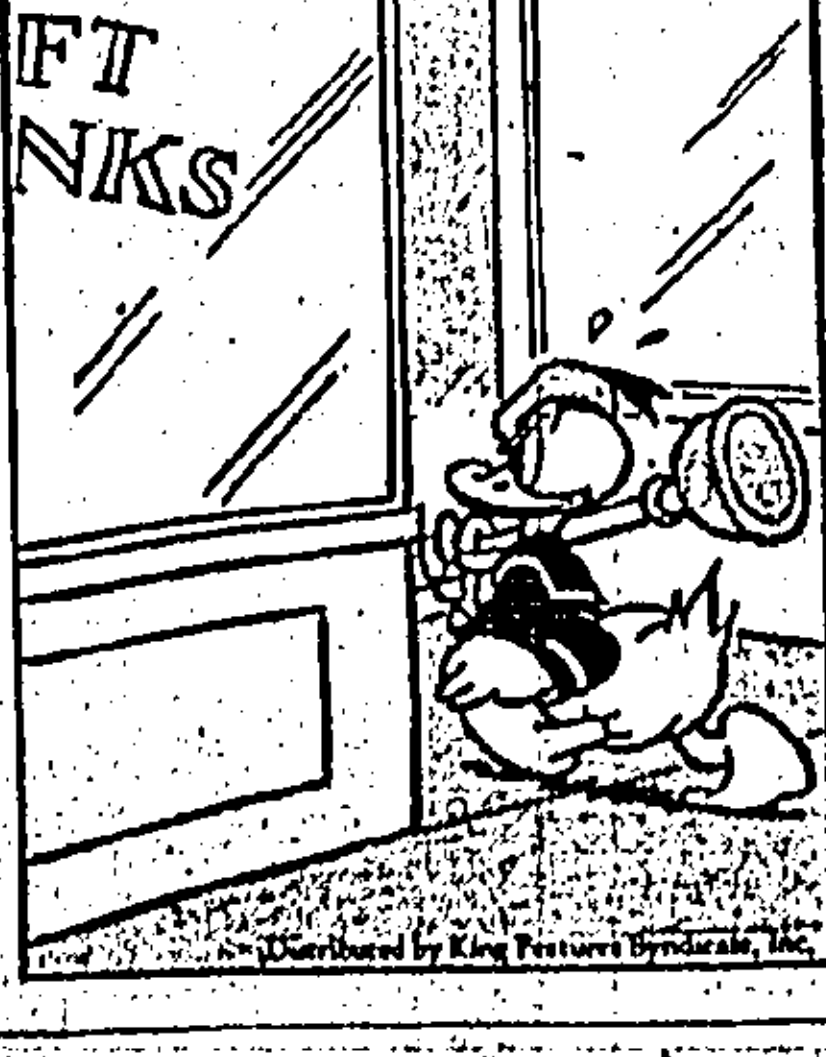
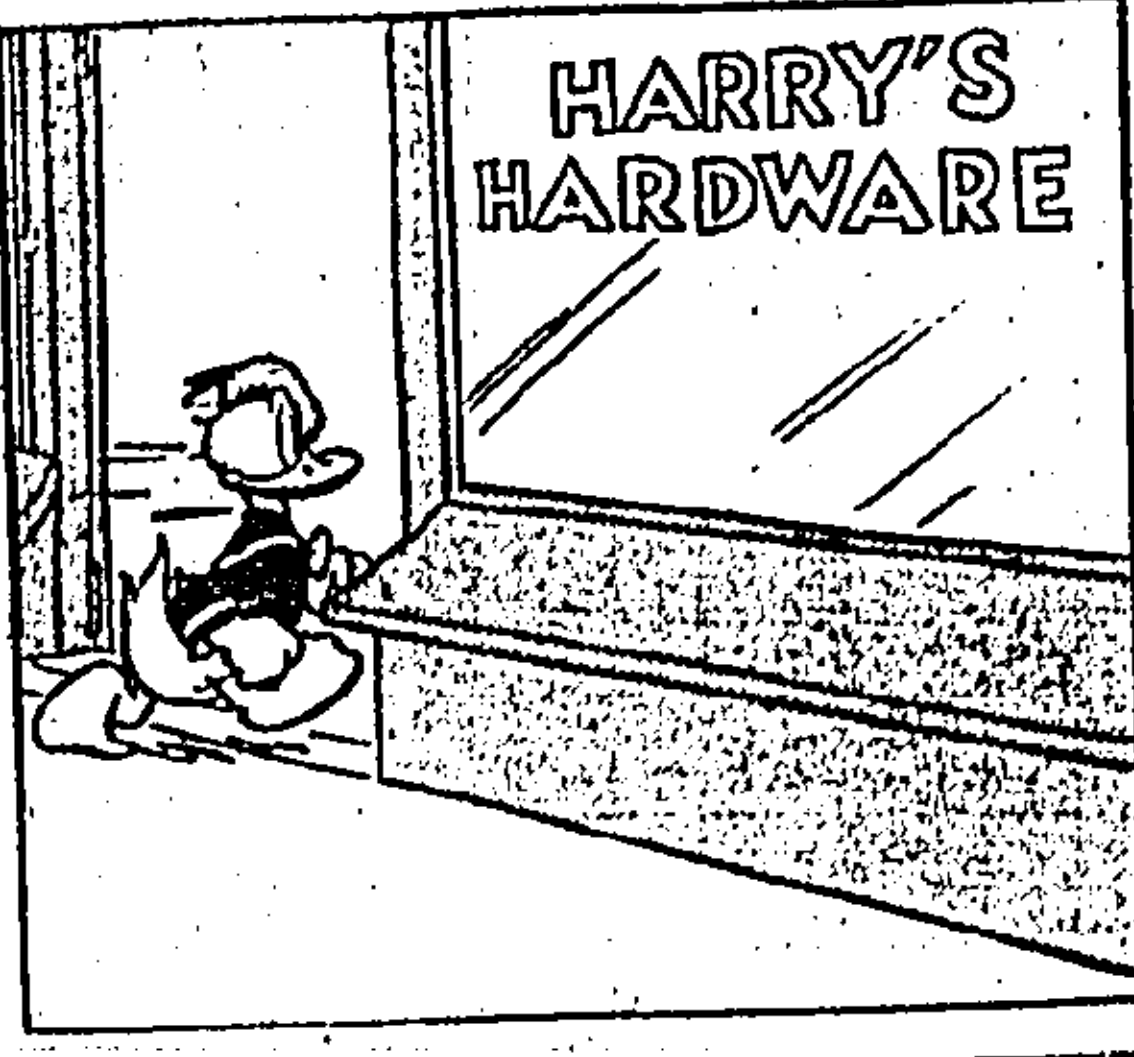
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'Friendly' German Said 'Gott Sei Dank'

SYMPATHY FOR AN UNWANTED MAN

AN elderly man pattered round a bare hallway exclaiming "Gott sei dank," which, interpreted, is "God be thanked."

A German, his status had just been defined by one of the 108 tribunals set up in Britain for the purpose. He had been freed from the category "Enemy Aliens."

He was one of 40 who went into St. John's Hall, Holly Bush Vale, Hampstead, to lay their cases, in strict privacy, before Judge Earengy.

The 40 waited in an ante-room. They were admitted one by one to a room where sat the judge, a detective-inspector as secretary, and an interpreter.

"They Are So Kind"

The average time for interrogation was 10 minutes.

After that the appellant would reappear, walk over to a plain-clothes police officer, and have his passport stamped with his new status.

As each man came out he would encourage those still waiting. One (call him Karl), wearing the black frock-coat and clerical collar of the Roman Catholic priesthood, mistook me (writes a News Chronicle reporter) for one of his compatriots.

"I am so happy," he said. "No longer an enemy alien, but a friendly alien."

"So kind they are, so kind. The questions, they are so friendly, so gracious. You must not be alarmed. There is no cause for fear. They are so kind."

Three Categories

Karl may now move without restriction, provided he notifies the police of his destination and at the station in the new locality, of his arrival.

He is back to pre-war status. Judge Earengy, in his house near St. John's Hall, said to me: "In general, one has to determine, both from one's experience of human nature and from the record before one, the appellant's suitability for one of the three categories—immediate internment; internment at large; possibly, or genuine refugee or friendly alien."

"Most of the people in this area are Jews. A great many British Jews of German origin have been amazingly good to their newly arrived compatriots: opened their houses, or even taken houses for the refugees. As there are about 12,000 German refugees in the Hampstead-Hendon areas, the tribunals there will be sitting five days a week for some months—unless more judges are appointed."

RATIONING ON JANUARY 8

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the rationing scheme of bacon and butter will come into force on January 8.

The initial quantities will be four ounces each per person weekly. Consumers are asked to register with retailers for sugar and to restrict purchases to one pound weekly.

Turkish Military Mission

THE Turkish military mission arrived in London recently for important discussions.

In the above picture Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood is seen, on the right, with his arm on the shoulder of General Orbay, head of the mission.

Lord Birdwood commanded the British troops against the Turks at Gallipoli in the last war.

The mission had been accompanied from the coast by the military, naval and air attaches at the Turkish Embassy.

Before the train's arrival in London, Lord Birdwood stood talking with Dr. Tewfik Rushdi Aras, the Turkish Ambassador.

With Lord Birdwood were representatives of the British Navy, Army and Air Force, the naval, military and air attaches of the French Embassy were also present.

Several Turkish women were there to welcome the mission, and to greet Madame Orbay, who accompanied her husband.

General Orbay, who is regarded as an old friend of Britain, is one of the "Big Three" of the Turkish Army.

The mission was given an official reception last night, when Lord Chatfield was the host.

WANTED: MOE OFFICERS

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should render a good account of itself.

The German military problem is how many divisions she dare send to Poland in order to try and get a quick result and how few she can afford to leave holding the Siegfried Line against France and ourselves and provide a central reserve as well. Incidentally the French problem of watching her Alpine and Pyrenean frontiers has been considerably lightened by the recent course of events.

Finally, it is worth remembering that all wars now are wars of petrol and oil, which is for Germany a great difficulty. She has not got the petrol for a long war unless she succeeds in obtaining access to the Rumanian petrol supply or Soviet Russia is prepared to supply her extensive needs. Even if she were to obtain the whole of the output of the Rumanian oilfields, it would be insufficient for her needs.

New World Freedom Must Arise From Allied Victory

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—In a broadcast on Monday night, Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Labour Leader, said that when peace was made a new world

freedom must be built. The Nazi regime was an evil thing which must dominate or die.

The Alternative

If the Nazi regime win, the free rights of man and everything for which man had struggled would be crushed under Hitler's Gauleiters. There was need for a re-statement of the fundamental rights of mankind. Peace should ensure that these rights covered the greatest possible part of the globe. It was up to Britain to give mankind the lead for which it had waited so long.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Sea Shanties by John Goes and Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

1.55 Marek Weber and His Orchestra "Viktoria and Her Hussars" Selection.

2.00 Waltz and Potpourri.

2.00 Two Compositions of Haydn Quartet in E Major, Op. 54, No. 3, Pro Arte Quartet. Sonata No. 1 in E Flat, Vladimir Horowitz (Piano).

6.35 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.37 Songs by Luigi Fort (Tenor) Soft Booms the Light ("Don Pasquale"), St. Vous L'avez Compris, Ideale (Tosti).

6.47 Light Orchestral.

7.00 B.B.C. Record—"A Northern Evening from Barbican."

7.20 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Recital by Elvie Yuen (Soprano) and the Very Rev. Father A. Riganiti (Piano) Faith in Spring (Schubert), Impassioned (Schubert), Elvie Yuen, Andante from Sonata in B Flat (Mozart), Father Riganiti, Three Songs by Donaudy, Freschi Luoghi, Prati Autenti No, non mi guardate, Vaghisima Semblanza, Elvie Yuen, Second Gavott (Godeaux), Father Riganiti, The English Song: Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal (Roger Quilter), A Brown Bird Singing (Haydn Wood).

8.35 Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra—Dance—Mazurka, Op. 40 (Selig-Sachs), Becosure (from "The Tempest," Op. 109—Sibelius), Bacchante (from "Samson and Delilah"—Saint-Saens).

8.53 Max Bruch—Kol Nidrei, Op. 47. Pau Casals (Cello) and The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir London Ronald.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Selections from "The Dollar Princess," "The Three Musketeers" and "H.M.S. Pinafore."

9.55 Dance Music.

10.30 London Relay—"It's That Man Again." A Variety Show with Tommy Handley and Others.

11.00 London Relay—"Matters of Moment."

11.15 Close Down.

FOREIGN PLANES OVER BRUSSELS

BRUSSELS, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A. A. guns opened fire to-day on several foreign planes which appeared high over Brussels at noon.

After a few minutes, the planes disappeared in a westerly direction.

Netherlands Trade Mission Returns

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Five members of the Netherlands trade mission returned home by air this morning.

\$5,000 CHRISTMAS GIFT TO KIDDIES

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Herbert Morrison announced that the London County Council has decided to give £5,000 towards a fund to give children in the reception areas a good time during Christmas.

In asking Londoners to contribute, the L. C. C. points out that if the children return to London, they will be coming back into the danger area and the evacuation scheme will be wasted.

New Zealanders Welfare Service

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A New Zealand War Service Association has been formed in London to look after the welfare of all New Zealanders who arrive in Britain to serve in the Army, Navy, Air Force or other services.

It will work in conjunction with the Royal Empire Society, the Y.M.C.A. and other organisations, and will be mainly run by New Zealanders.

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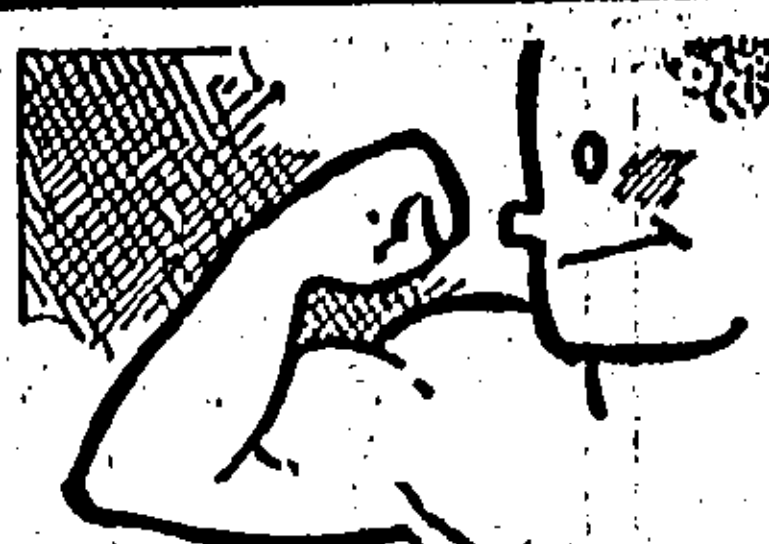
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DEATH

This morning after a short illness, Carlos Nolasco da Silva, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. N. da Silva, age 22. Funeral will take place to-morrow, time to be announced later.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

Wednesday, November 29, 1939.
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Price Of Admiralty

OFFERED a choice of how to die, most men would wish, as the noblest end, to give their lives in the protection of their country and all that it stands for.

That was the destiny of over 250 of the crew of H.M.S. Rawalpindi, the converted merchantman, so well-known in Hongkong, that was destroyed earlier this week in an unequal encounter with the third mightiest warship in the Nazi Fleet.

To find a parallel for the heroism of the men—they included Mercantile Marine men many of whom were probably well-known in Hongkong, since it is probable that the Rawalpindi retained her old crew when she was taken over by the Admiralty—you must search back in history to the days of the last war. Britain has far too long an experience of naval warfare to suppose that, however strong the British Fleet, it can sweep an enemy from the seas without injury. In the Deutschland and Admiral Scheer type of enemy we have two opponents worthy of our steel and neither ship will fall to the guns of a cruiser unless skill and, to a certain extent, luck is added to the encounter. The armaments of the so-called "pocket battleships" are superior to those aboard cruisers and it will need one of the heavier type British warships to deal adequately with these marauders.

Many Hongkong people who have travelled home on leave aboard the "Pindi," as she was affectionately called by her passengers and crew, will regret the loss of this fine liner of the P. & O. fleet. Her loss, however, is of less importance than the loss of the gallant men who



THE CLIENT: "But have you no information for me about a tall, dark man?"

What happens to the PRIZES OF WAR

by George Edinger

At the western end of the Law Courts, in a courtroom usually devoted to the hearing of Divorce Cases, Britain's 700-year-old Prize Court sits again.

Sir Boyd Merriam, President of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division, tries the issues. If they are technical or complex, he may be assisted by assessors from Trinity House. But they are generally simple enough.

Is the disputed cargo lawful prize or not? If it is, then it must be condemned and sold. If not, it is released and the Crown pays compensation to the owner.

The cases are tried according to International Law as it has grown up during the past three centuries of war at sea.

According to the Law of Nations, all enemy ships are lawful prize except hospital ships and ships engaged on scientific missions. So are all enemy cargoes in British, allied or enemy ships.

And so far Germany has been deprived of nearly half a million tons of vital necessities because of the activities of the British and French Navies.

But enemy cargoes in neutral ships and neutral cargoes in enemy ships are lawful prize only if they can be proved contraband of war. States at war themselves proclaim the list of articles they consider contraband.

Prize money, in fact, was more than any other, the bait that lured recruits into the eighteenth century Navy. But when the World War broke out in 1914, that old, romantic, but unjust, system was ended.

In order that men whose duties kept them with the Grand Fleet

served in her. "The price of admiralty is heavy." Those who pay it for us now, when admiralty means the safety, honour and welfare not only of our Commonwealth of Nations, but of freedom throughout the world, have laid on us the duty to be worthy of their sacrifice.

every person aboard the sunk or captured vessel.

The record sum won in prize bounty was the £31,000 awarded to the officers and crew of submarine E14. They sank a Turkish troopship in the Sea of Marmara in May, 1918. That was a test case, for the Law says that prize bounty can be distributed only for the sinking of an armed ship, and this transport, it was argued, was not an armed ship.

However, there was a battery of Krupp guns mounted astern, and as the Court eventually held that the arms need not be attached to the ship, the prize, bounty, was finally paid out.

But there is neither prize money nor prize bounty for ships taken in harbour, in the way that several German merchantmen were taken at the beginning of this war.

In the 13th Century, when the Lord High Admiral's Court was first evolved, to handle prizes, the Common Law of England laid down that while prizes taken at sea were the King's property, those captured in harbour were a prerogative of the Lord High Admiral.

There has not been a Lord High Admiral for a hundred years. His prerogatives have devolved on the Admiralty, which is a Government department, now devotes their proceeds to the relief of taxation by paying them into the Consolidated Fund.

It may seem irrational that ancient precedent should make such differences. But ancient precedent has governed Prize Court procedure all through its history.

During those years the law of prize and the nature of contraband have changed with the ever-changing nature of war at sea.

Yet the English Prize Court has remained essentially the same as it was in the days when Drake and Blake and Nelson stood up to give their evidence before its judges, a tribunal of immense authority extending over all the seven seas whose skill and fairness have been admitted by twenty generations, neutrals and enemies.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I wish you'd stuff a shirt in Junior's mouth—I'm trying to listen to this programme on child psychology!"

Nazi Plaint—

Wanted: More Officers

WHAT is the calibre of the new German army? What is the effect of the changes that have been carried out in it since 1918?

Like everything else in a totalitarian State, publication of strength or of material is very rare, and it is difficult to estimate numbers. In November, 1938, however, the Germans published some significant figures, namely, the number of divisions, and higher formations that already existed in time of peace. There were then 21 Army Groups, 18 Army Corps, 33 divisions, four light divisions, five tank divisions, three mountain divisions and a cavalry Brigade.

The total of 51 peace-time divisions may very well have advanced this year to 60 or more, and it is quite possible that it would be 120 divisions at war strength.

Contrast With France

Measures of mobilisation have for some time been in force, and classes that had not served a full period of two years have received special instruction. The difficulty, however, remains that only three of those dispersing in 1937, 1938, 1939 are available as trained reserves, though most of the other classes have been trained from time to time for short periods.

Germany has not therefore available that solid block of 5,000,000 soldiers that the French possess, who have all done their complete periods of service in the ranks.

The officer situation is also a great difficulty. Field-Marshal von Blomberg, the former Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, and his generals at the time that the new army was formed had a great tussle with the party leaders as to the material from which the new officers were to come. The Nazi leaders wanted them to be party men, whereas the generals insisted on looking to the old class of officers for future supply.

The generals won, but it really meant that for a number of years they would lack a "middle piece" for their regimental officers, as all the senior ones were having very quick promotion. When I attended the manoeuvres in 1939 and 1937 the only officers in the units of any seniority were the battalion and battery commanders. Apart from them they were mostly 2nd Lieutenants and not more than one of them per company or battery.

This lack of experienced officers will be one of Germany's great handicaps in war.

Disposing Her Resources

Let us turn now to the possibility of the dispositions of Germany's 120 or 130 divisions. In September last Germany disposed 32 divisions to deal with Czechoslovakia, only nine divisions on the Franco-Belgian front and the rest in reserve or in East Prussia. She assumed that France and Britain were not going to fight and relied on nine divisions and her fortress troops to hold the Siegfried Line.

On this occasion the situation is radically different. On her eastern front she has the country which she desires to crush as soon as she can. But the Poles are no mean adversaries. They have a population of 30,000,000 and 80 peace-time divisions. Their moral is excellent and they will fight to the very end.

All recent fighting with the machine-gun arm, increased as this has been, goes to show that the greater power lies with the defence and the Poles should be able to take full advantage of it. Their Army PLEASE Turn to Page 5.

ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

Carrying A Torch For Benchley



America's No. 1 Funny Man

A LOCAL PROBLEM

IF there is one protest which fans may justly make to Hongkong picture house proprietors and distributors it is this: Why don't you show us more Robert Benchley shorts? and why, when you have one to show, don't you advertise it in the Press and spare us the regret of missing such a treat?

Most picture-goers know the name of Robert Benchley, but even those whose attendance at shows is only casual probably know him by sight—and are undoubtedly much the better for it. The mere recollection of such oddments as "How to Train a Dog," "How to Bring Up a Child," "How to Be a Detective" and the priceless "How to Go to Sleep" is a treat.

NONSENSICAL HUMOUR

At the age of 50, Benchley is generally accepted as America's No. 1 Funny Man. He doesn't like the idea and persists in thinking that he missed the best somewhere and has made a horrible hash of his life; but the truth is that nonsensical humour simply spills from him, and while he can keep readers, radio audiences, and the picture public holding their sides he seems destined to go on being funny.

Benchley, in appearance, is pudgy and unduly, but his fat face is one of the most eloquent things in pictures to-day. Last year American film fans proclaimed that this fat face was, next to cartoons, what they most wanted to see in shorts, and their verdict is one which will

Hongkong Will See 1939 War Films

FOLLOWING the outbreak of war, many film companies in England have closed their studio doors, the employees having joined the Services.

The Alexander Korda studios at Denham, however, are working at high pressure on British propaganda films. Many of these films will be shown in Hongkong in the near future.

Singing the praise of British at war, Korda's film, "The Lion Has Wings", made with the co-operation of the Royal Air Force, will be screened locally early in the New Year. It will be released by United Artists.

Some of Britain's leading film stars, Merle Oberon, Ralph Richardson, June Duprez, Flora Robson, Robert Douglas, Anthony Bushell and Derrick de Marney are included in the cast of the film.

KIEL RAID

Mr. Korda's film, which shows a reconstruction of the Kiel Raid, had special showings in London for the King and Queen and for the Admiralty, Air Ministry and Government officials. Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, was present at one show.

Another British propaganda film which will be shown here shortly is "An Englishman's Home", made by an independent British film company just before war was declared, and released by United Artists. This film has almost surely been shown in Hongkong.

It is doubtful whether "U-Boat 29", made at the London Film Studios in Denham, will be shown locally.

This film was banned last week in Singapore by the Malayan Film Censor, no reason for the ban being given. The film will go up before the Malayan Film Committee of Appeal.

SPY FILM

Under the title "Spy in Black", it ran for four weeks at the London Odeon and was generally released throughout Great Britain.

The story of the film deals with the attempt of a German submarine in the extreme north of Scotland to hurry British merchantmen, but whose efforts are foiled by a British officer and his wife.

Conrad Veldt, in the role of the German commander of a Nazi submarine, heads an imposing cast which includes Sebastian Shaw, Valerie Hobson, Marius Goring and June Duprez.

"Dr. Livingstone—I Presume?"

Arrangements have been made for the screening of "Stanley and Livingstone" at the King's Theatre this week-end.

In this Twentieth-Century Fox film, Spencer Tracy takes star honours as Henry Stanley, reporter of the "New York Herald" who was handed the toughest assignment of 1870, "Find Livingstone."

DONAT FILM

The British production, "Good-bye Mr. Chips", starring Robert Donat, will be screened here, early in the New Year at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

This film recently celebrated its eighth consecutive month at the Astor Theatre, New York.

"MIKADO" RETURNING

"The Mikado", which was shown locally at one special midnight performance this summer, is returning to the Queen's and Alhambra early next month.

One of the most famous of all the Savoyards' pieces, this is the first full-length screen version of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado". It is filmed in Technicolour and is peopled with members of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company.

GALLANT PILOTS DECORATED

British Airmen Show Courage And Skill

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter): The award of three more Distinguished Flying Crosses is announced, with details of the recipients' gallantry.

The first award is to Squadron Leader P. R. Barwell, who led a flight of six aircraft over the North Sea to intercept nine enemy bombers approaching a British convoy.

Barwell downed one enemy and then in co-operation with two other pilots destroyed another.

Ultimately six, possibly seven, raiders were brought down.

The second award is to Pilot Patrick Gifford, who, leading a section of his squadron, sighted an enemy machine over the mainland heading to the sea.

As a result of his skill, daring and determination, the enemy crashed into the sea.

Later in the same month (October), an enemy bomber, apparently reconnoitring a British convoy, sought cover in the clouds.

Gifford gave pursuit and eleven miles from land the raider, evidently damaged, crashed into the sea.

The third award is to Flight Lieutenant G. C. Pinkerton. Leading a section of his squadron, Pinkerton engaged an enemy bomber which attempted to escape in the clouds, but owing to Pinkerton's skill and gallantry, it crashed into the sea.

ITALIAN BATTLESHIPS FOR RUMANIAN OIL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Nov. 28 (Domet).—Authoritative circles reveal that Italy has made a definite bid for Rumanian resources and has proposed an exchange of Rumanian oil and wheat for Italian arms and warships.

It is reported that Italy has agreed to supply on most favourable conditions light cruisers to the Rumanian Black Sea fleet. The Rumanian fleet in the Black Sea already includes several Italian-constructed light cruisers.

Newsreels Latest

Of interest to many cinema-goers in Hongkong is the news that the "King's" and "Theatres" have contracted with Universal Pictures to show the latest news-reels rushed here by Clipper from America.

The King's Theatre will show these news-reels right on show. They will be screened at the Majestic Theatre immediately afterwards.

undoubtedly meet with the approval of Hongkong's discerning picture addicts.

America's No. 1 Funny Man has recently signed a new contract with M.G.M. which will keep him busy in feature pictures and making shorts for some time to come and a word uttered now must be in good time to warn cinema proprietors and distributors that when he comes to town the Hongkong public wants to be told about it.

BENCHLEY PROGRAMME

In case this ardent campaigning for Benchley sounds like just one man's opinion, I suggest that some movie house owner test him out. Benchley's appeal by ferreting out of the available Benchley shorts and presenting a Benchley programme. If Betty Boop and Pop Eye can rope 'em in, Benchley will bring 'em in a stampede.

But, first and foremost, if it is only by the type at the top of your picture ads, let us know when Benchley is on tap.—"Athos."

BRITISH PLANES RAID NAZI SEAPLANE BASE

(Continued from Page 1.)

sance over north-west Germany last night.

Can Defeat Mines

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—"We have every reason to believe that we hold and can continue to hold the submarine menace."

"There is every reason to believe that we shall eventually find means to deal with indiscriminate minelaying," declared Lord Stanhope, Lord President of the Council, replying to the debate on the King's Address in the House of Lords.



Carola Goya, the celebrated Spanish dancer, and Beatrice Burford, American harpist, who will give a concert at the Roof Garden, Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday.

SPANISH DANCER TO GIVE CONCERT

WHEN war broke out, Carola Goya, famous Spanish dancer, Beatrice Burford, American concert harpist, and Emilio Osta, their accompanist, were in Cape Town fulfilling an initial season organised by the Columbia Concert Corporation of New York.

They had planned to cross the Atlantic to fulfil their winter bookings in America, but, on consideration, revised their original schedule by arranging to travel back across the Pacific.

Local Dancing Display

JUDGING from the dress rehearsal which took place on Sunday morning, the annual dancing display by Violet Capell's pupils will be pleasant entertainment.

The show is being held this afternoon at the King's Theatre.

The two main numbers of the show are "A Woodland Idyll" and "The Water Babies." The first of these story-telling numbers takes place in a wood. A little girl (Christie Brown) is chased into a forest by butterflies. The evening shadows fall and she cannot find her way home. The hats come out heralding the approach of night. She sleeps until the morning mists and a sunbeam awaken her. The birds come hopping out and lead her out of the wood.

Little Christie Brown shows a fine sense of rhythm and mastery over difficult steps. The two other solo dances, by Helen and Stella Ho, are especially good.

The "Water Babies" number is really delightful enabling the young pupils to display their knowledge of dancing. Inside Alhambra, as Tom the chimney-sweep, who has been changed into a water baby, is a confident little dancer who will captivate the audience. The scenery in this number is particularly effective.

There are numerous short dances in the programme the most outstanding being a Chinese Fan Dance by Audrey Ho, a colourful "balloon" dance by R. Yui and Fire and Water by the Bradbury Sisters.

All Violet Capell's pupils appear in the jazz trials which is tuneful, bright and rhythmic. The blue and yellow costumes in this number are most effective.

Christmas Pantomime

"All Baba," the Y.M.C.A. Christmas pantomime, will be held on December 20, 21, 22, 23 and 26.

The production will be on an even more lavish scale than last year with over 60 members in the cast. The book, especially written by Mr. W. Colledge, deals with the story of All Baba and the Forty Thieves.

Mrs. Ogan is taking the leading role assisted by Mrs. Lockhart as the Sultana. Many members of Hongkong's popular younger set will appear and some twenty children specially trained by Miss Daisy O'Keefe, will supply the dancing. Captain Petherick has undertaken the duties of Stage Manager.

Out of all the cities in the Far East which they have visited or are likely to visit, Hongkong has been chosen as the only place in which they will give a concert.

This excellent entertainment will be given at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday, at 9.30 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at the Hotel.

Carola Goya has an excellent reputation for her interpretation of Spanish and other national dances. She studied in Spain and follows the tradition of the great school of Spanish dancing and music of this century as especially exemplified in the music of the great composers, Albeniz, Granados and De Falla. She has appeared in New York, London, Buenos Aires, Brazil, and many other cities.

In her programme on Saturday night she will include many of her famous dances which are so delightfully coloured, gay and rhythmic. Beatrice Burford, a young harpist who studied for many years in Paris with great masters, will also appear at the concert. She has appeared with such great orchestras as the Philadelphia under Stokowski and other American organisations.

Carola Goya also brings with her Emilio Osta, her Spanish concert pianist who not only gives the usual repertoire of great pianists but specialises in the modern Spanish school. Mr. Osta will include a group of solos in the evening's performance.

Dunne-Boyer Film To Return

"When Tomorrow Comes" which was screened at the Alhambra last week will return to the Queen's Theatre on December 13. Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer team together romantically in this film which is an intensely and beautifully played.

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Around The Courses

WINDY WEATHER AT SHEUNGSHIU

Penalty Strokes For Hitting Flag From Within Twenty Yards

(By "Birdie")

A MORE DIFFICULT WIND for golf than that of Sunday can hardly be imagined. I do not know quite how bad it was at Fanling, where there is a certain amount of shelter from the trees, but the brawny Scotsmen seemed to have weathered it in fine style—judging by the result of the annual Societies match.

At Sheungshiu, on the open Country Club course, it swept unimpeded right across the line of holes, and made it a most unfortunate day for the playing of the first round of the Ladies Cup competition. Scores reached colossal proportions, but I will not mention them.

Worst of all, it was impossible to keep the sand on the greens. The wind swept them bare, and left only the clay upon which to putt. The rain, however, had made them soft, and when one was canny enough to make wind allowances, approach shots stayed there.

In fact after playing them, it seems indicated that until grass greens are forthcoming, the Club has a solution to its greatest problem; namely, how to deal with the greens when they harden. And that is keep them well watered and thus soften them.

There was, however, only one surprise result, and that was the elimination of Miss Molly Churn by Miss L. G. Abing.

The results were: Mrs. Leo D'Almeida beat Miss L. Heang 4 and 3. Miss A. Sequeira beat Miss A. Williams 6 and 4.

Miss L. G. Abing beat Miss M. C. Churn 5 and 4. Miss A. J. Kew received a walk-over from Mrs. F. E. A. Remedios.

The first two named winners, therefore, will meet in the semi-final on Sunday next, as will Miss Abing and Mrs. Kew.

HITTING the flag has twice occurred during rounds of the past two weeks. From the edge of the green, on the first occasion, the player's chip shot rolled gently up to the hole, tapped the flag and rebounded about three inches. Neither he nor the caddy anticipated such and neglected the precaution of removing the flag when within twenty yards of it. The result was that instead of having a birdie 3, the ball went down in 6. The extra putt and the two strokes penalty. This, too, was in the Captain's Cup qualifying round.

The second occasion was on Sunday last. The flag had been blown

Keeping Watch On Golf Amateurs

The United States Golf Association is keeping a watchful eye for violators of the amateur code. Each entrant in the 1939 amateur championship was asked to name his employer, the nature of his employer's business and the nature of his own business.

Dick Chapman, one of the contenders, worked as a blues singer. In the early days of the championship, such a regulation would have brought out the fact that many of the contestants were rich men's sons.

Rugby

Royal Engineers Beat Scratch Navy Side

In a rather rugged rugby game yesterday, Engineers defeated Navy 21 points (three goals and two tries) to three (a try) at Sookunpoo.

Waite and Pickett scored twice for the Sappers, Birrell once and Pike converted three tries. Thorburn scored the Navy's only try.

Teams were: Engineers—Capt. L. C. Birrell, L. C. Pickett, Spr. Martin, Spr. Arington, L. C. Waite, L. C. Pickett, Spr. Davis, Spr. Cunningham, Spr. Farquharson, L. C. Hetherington, L. C. Sheldrake, Spr. Pike, L. C. Appley, Spr. Jones. Navy—Capt. L. C. Corcoran, S. B. A. Addis, L. W. Barlow, Mrs. Jeffery, A. B. Galsheer, Tel. Farnock, Feys, Mr. Chai, Tel. Kyan, S. B. A. Davies, L. S. Thorburn, L. S. Inglis, A. M. Foster, L. W. Ferris.

down by the wind and was lying at right angles to the approach. From 50 yards, or thereabouts, the ball ran up to the flag—a yard wide of the hole—and struck it, and instead of carrying on for another three or four feet, stopped dead, and left the player

feeling that from whence he required only one putt. I have failed to find anything in the Rules which implies a penalty for this, and have since wondered what would have been the case had the flag been lying at an angle sufficient to deflect the ball into the hole.

The difference of these two cases seems to emphasize the unfairness of the Rules re-playing within twenty yards of the flag. It is hardly likely that from within twenty yards a player is going to hit his ball with strength sufficient to make it travel a great distance past the flag. If it were so one could more readily understand the two strokes penalty; but the odds very definitely are that the ball would not run over the green. By hitting the flag, therefore, and stopping, a player has only gained the return approach putt.

Two strokes penalty seems a little hard. In the first of the two incidents cited, instead of having a birdie three, the player was penalised three strokes, for there was no doubt but that the ball would have dropped into the hole. In the second case, from 50 yards, the approach was stopped and the player gained a stroke. It would have been the same had the flag been standing upright. I'm not saying that it was not the first player's fault for not removing the flag (knowing the Rules)—I am merely pointing out what to me seems unjust about the Rule.

SUNDAY last was the closing date for entries for the Country Club Junior Championship. There were only thirteen names down, which number makes it unnecessary to play the qualifying round which was scheduled for the coming week-end. The first round proper will be played on December 17.

G. Suen (73) and S. V. Ojima (72) qualified for the Captain's Cup competition over the past week-end.



Following the hounds over the Fanling countryside on Sunday during the Fanling Hunt—Ming Yuen.

Huge Fee For Dempsey To Referee Garcia-Lee Bout In Manila

TO THE FAR EAST, the Ceferino Garcia-Lee battle at Rizal Stadium, December 16, which will be refereed by the great Manassah Mauler, Jack Dempsey in person, is unquestionably the Battle of the Century.

The only thing which can be said to approach it, even distantly, states the Manila Bulletin, is the scrap between Pancho Villa and Clever Sencio, both now in the Valhalla reserved for the ring's foremost warriors. That was back in 1924, in Manila.

But there was no Dempsey to referee that fight. At that time, Jack Dempsey was heavyweight champion of the world. He was getting huge sums for merely endorsing medicines, or tonics or hair-oil—in fact, his manager, Jack Kearney, received the enormous price of \$200,000 just to endorse Nuxated Iron, a patent remedy.

LARGEST FEE IN HISTORY Jack Dempsey is receiving the largest fee in the history of boxing, to referee the Garcia-Lee fight, \$15,000, with approximately \$4,000 for transportation, in addition.

The fact that Manila is paying Dempsey this sum has proved the greatest advertisement the Philippines have received, in American papers, in many years. Every paper in the United States carried the story—many with headlines stretching across eight columns.

It revives the recollection that Frank A. Churchill, one of the great figures in boxing history, once wanted to bring Benny Leonard and Johnny Kilbane to the Philippines, to box that amazing wonderboy of the ring, Dencio Cabancla. When Churchill cabled his offer to Leonard and Kilbane, the former then lightweight, the latter featherweight champion, they laughed uproariously—then both went to the library to learn where the Philippine Islands were located.

Thanks to the great parade of ring men which the Philippines have sent to the States, nobody has to look at an atlas, now, to ascertain the location of the Philippines. Everybody knows, now—and you can thank Filipino fighters for it.

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Girl Basketball Tourists Return

The Hongkong Girls' basketball team which left for Manila about a month ago returned yesterday after a successful tour, during which they won five matches, lost four and drew one.

Hockey

R. Engineers Win Again In Assn. Tourney

THROUGH A GOAL scored in the second half by Homburg, Royal Engineers won their Hockey Association tournament match against R.A.O.C. 1-0 at Sookunpoo yesterday.

The defenders of both teams played well and staved off many quick attacks. The Engineers' forwards were slightly quicker than Ordinance and also showed more ball control and accurate shooting.

Play in the first half was fairly even, and the second period saw both teams opening vigorously. Homburg broke through the defence and netted a high shot to give Royal Engineers the only goal of the games.

Both the R.A.O.C. forwards and defenders played hard but the former lost several attacking opportunities which spoiled chances to score.

The two goalkeepers, Dobson for R.E. and Omland for R.A.O.C., distinguished themselves by good play. Russell, Goodwin, Bowling and Marriott proved formidable defenders for the winners. Stone and Lock were prominent amongst the hard-workers of R.A.O.C.

Island Eleven To Meet Mainland

The following have been selected to represent the Island in a charity hockey match against the Mainland on December 10:

Mr. Lamson (H.K. Ladies), Miss E. M. Gray (H.K. Ladies), Mrs. Strang (H.K. Ladies), Mrs. Sims (H.K. Ladies), Miss K. M. Pooch (H.K. Ladies), and Miss J. Greaves (H.K. Ladies). Mrs. Burnett (H.K. Ladies), Mrs. Gardner (H.K. Ladies), Skinner (H.K. Ladies), Mrs. Delist (H.K. Ladies) and Miss A. Purves (H.K. Ladies).

Cricket

'HAT TRICK' FOR SGT. DENYER

Fortress R. Engineers Defeat R.A.O.C.

OUTSTANDING BOWLING by Sgt. Denyer, of Fortress Coy., Royal Engineers, who performed the "hat trick," featured the cricket match played between Royal Engineers and R.A.O.C. at Sookunpoo yesterday. The Engineers won by 61. Denyer took four wickets for one run in two overs.

Engineers—110 (Spr. Ratcliffe 45, Capt. Freeman 23, S. M. Green 22, not out; E. H. Linn, W. Hine, Sling, C. Winc, L. Youngs). Scorer, W. Broadbridge. Umpire, G. Ladd.

Week-End Teams

The following cricket teams will represent the Craighengower C.C. and the Hongkong Volunteers for matches over the week-ends:

Craighengower C.C. The following will represent Craighengower against Recreation on Saturday:

Firsts (away)—E. Zimmerman (Capt.), P. E. Hinton, A. R. B. Esmail, A. B. Hinton, A. J. Hulse, A. K. Lamm, E. A. Lay, H. P. Linn, W. Hine, Sling, C. Winc, L. Youngs. Scorer, W. Broadbridge. Umpire, G. Ladd.

Second XI The following will represent the Volunteers against the Civil Service C.C. on Sunday next at 11.30 a.m.:

R. M. M. King, C. J. N. Anderson, L. C. Baker, E. de S. Carey, S. J. Cooke, D. G. Day, C. Finch, N. D. Lloyd, E. M. L. Soares, A. Zimmerman and F. R. Zimmerman.

Lawn Bowls

Northumberland And Durham Assn. Rinks

The following rinks will represent the Northumberland and Durham Association in their annual lawn bowls match against the Yorkshiresmen's Society at the Kowloon Bowling-Green Club on Saturday, December 2 at 2.30 p.m.:

E. Purvis, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, T. E. Robson and J. Fraser. J. Hempsy, C. Turpin, G. Henderson and V. Ramsey.

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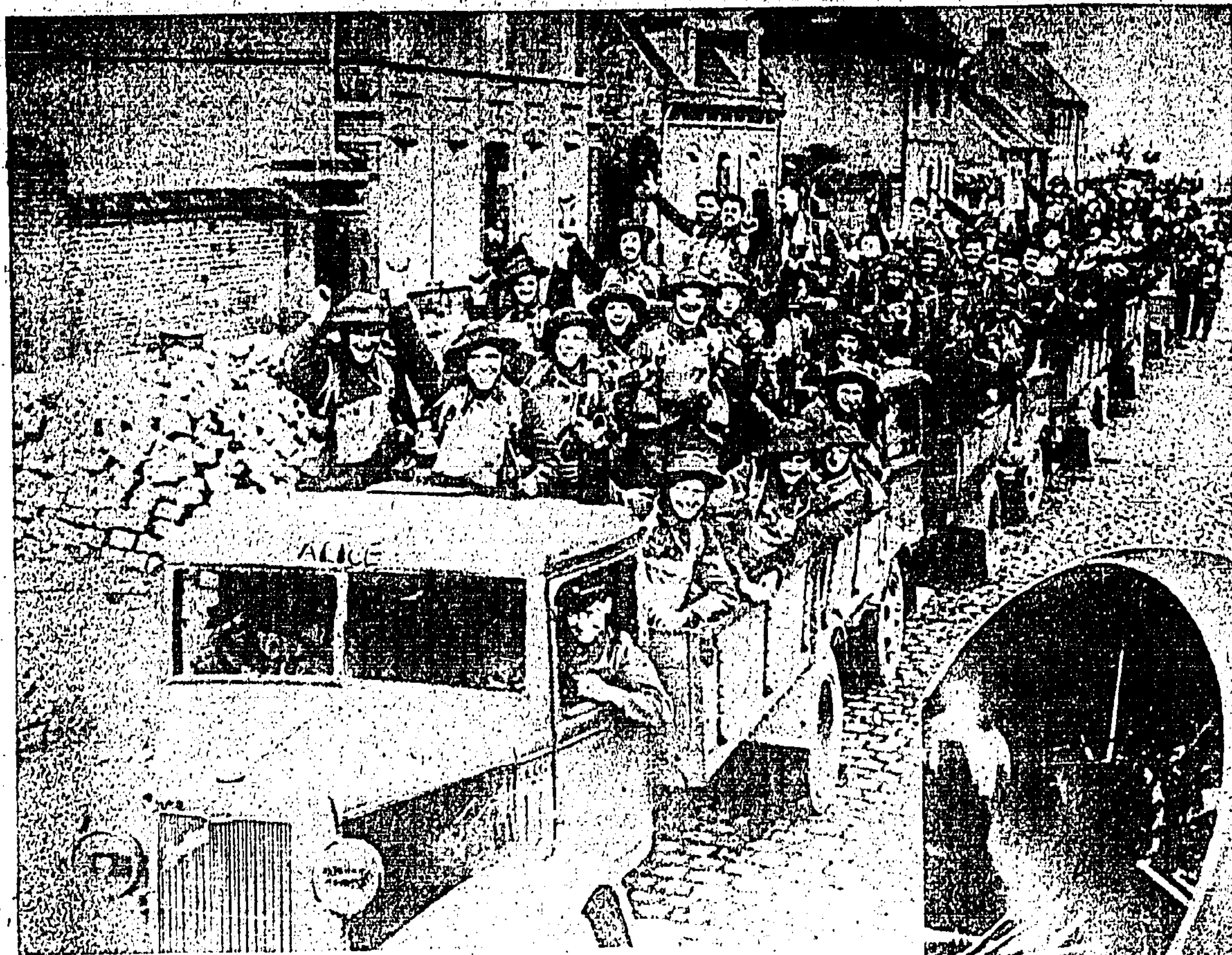
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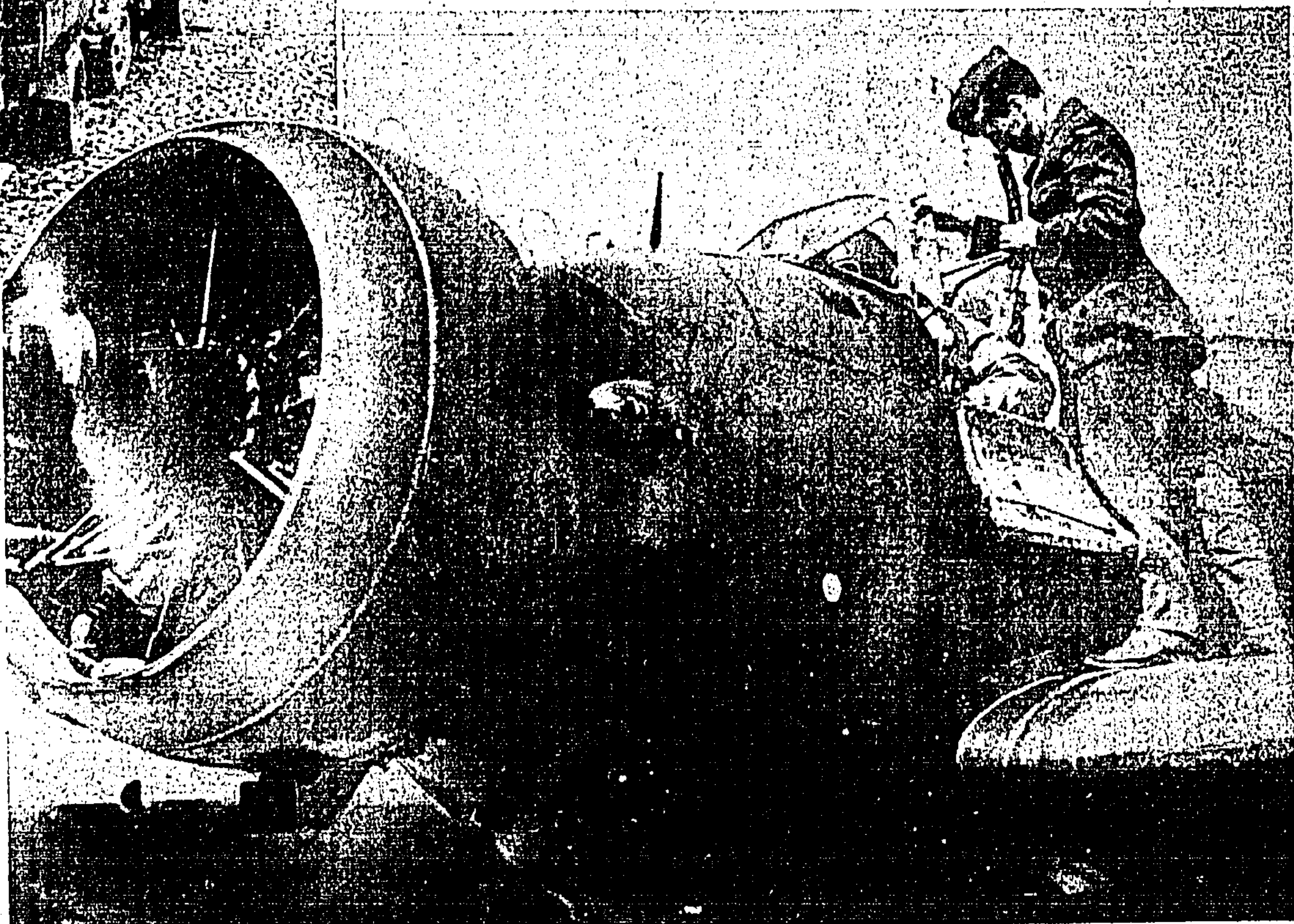
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SOME simple planning in advance will save many a headache this Christmas.

A schedule of shopping wants, and dates when certain jobs must be completed, should hang in every kitchen.

The last week in November marks the commencement of pudding making. I do not make them all from the same recipe.

For Christmas Day I like a traditional old-fashioned recipe—something dark and rich-looking, in keeping with the great day.

Then I have another mixing from a recipe with a story, such as is used in Buckingham Palace, or sometimes I get a recipe from the chef of a famous hotel or one that I have tasted and found very good. These I put into small basins and give as presents. I buy pretty basins for these with flowers painted on them.

Famous Chef's Mixture

My extra special recipe is from the head chef at the Dorchester Hotel in Park Lane. It is the same as is served there.

You may like to try it too.

Ingredients: 1lb. shredded suet, 1lb. raisins, 1lb. sultanas, 1lb. currants, 1lb. mixed peel, 1lb. apples, peeled, cored and chopped fine, 1 orange rind (grated) and juice of orange, 1 tablespoon mixed spices (1oz.), 1lb. preserved ginger, 1lb. demerara sugar, 1lb. bread crumbs, 4oz. flour, 4 eggs, 1 wineglass brandy, 1 wineglass rum, 1 small bottle of stout, 1 lemon rind (grated) and the juice of 1 lemon.

The method is simple. Thoroughly mix together all the dry ingredients and set aside. Now mix together all the liquids and slowly stir them into the dry ingredients. Mix well.

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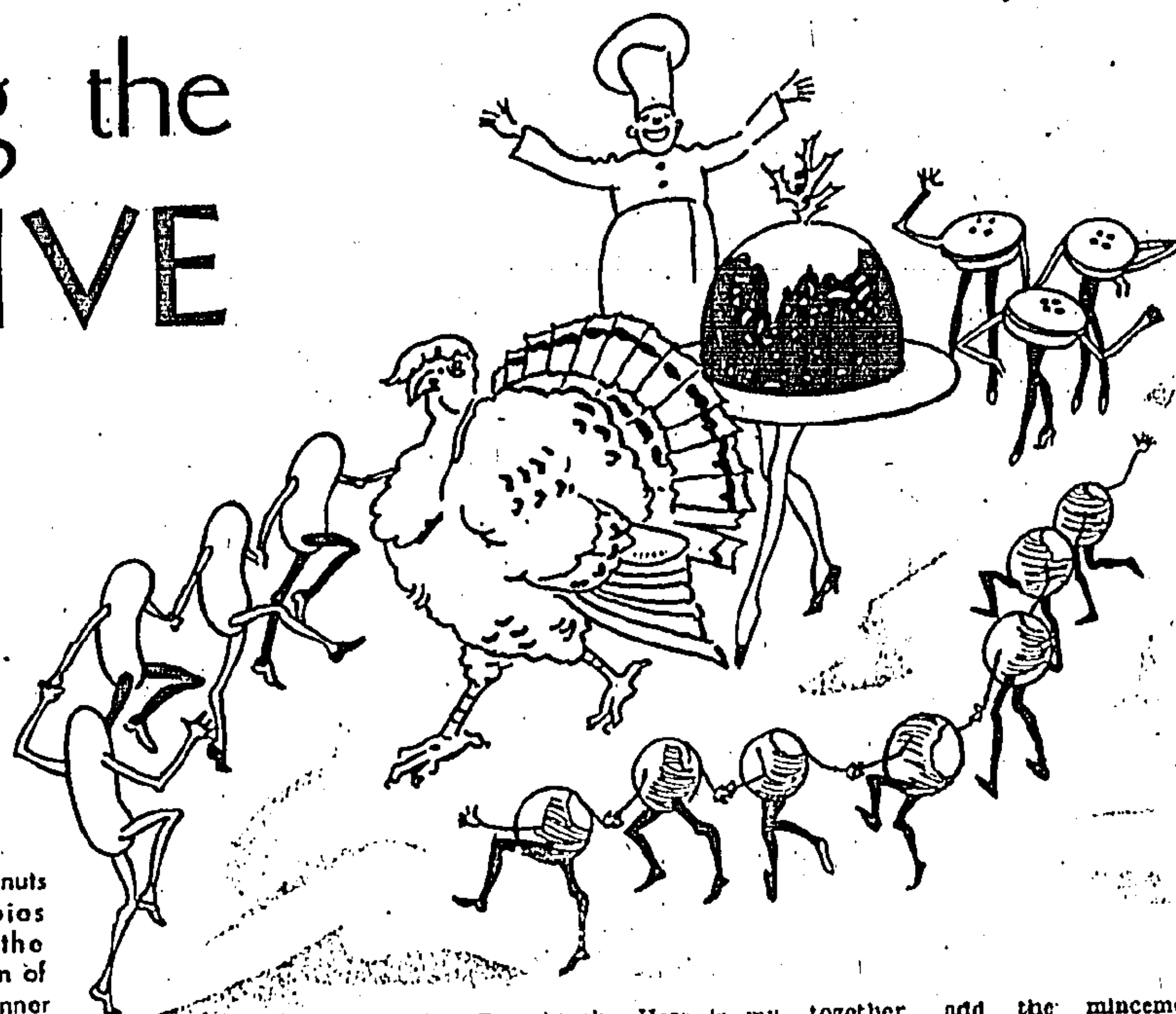
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by Mrs. BARDELL

Planning the FESTIVE FARE



well greased and sugared, cover with a piece of buttered paper, and tie up with a pudding cloth. Boil for three hours, according to size, and set aside in a cool place. This recipe, you notice, has only four eggs in it, so that it is not as expensive as it sounds.

New Recipe Pudding

For home consumption you might like to try this recipe. It is very good eaten cold and is lighter in texture than many recipes I have tried. This is doubtless due to the use of margarine.

Ingredients: 10oz. self-raising flour, 10oz. bread crumbs, 10oz. dark margarine, 10oz. seeded raisins, 10oz. sultanas, 10oz. currants, 10oz. candied peel, finely chopped, 2oz. citron peel, cut in slices, 1 apple, peeled and grated, 1 orange rind and juice of 2 oranges and 2 lemons, 3oz. almonds blanched and shredded, 1lb. demerara or granulated sugar, 2 tins, ground ginger, 2 tins, mixed spice, 1 tin, salt, 4 tins, brandy, 1 teacupful milk, 6 eggs.

Brush four pudding basins with melted margarine, and prepare four double thicknesses of greaseproof paper, brushed with melted margarine, to go over the basins and four pieces of string long enough to go twice round the top of the basin and tie in a bow.

Sift the self-raising flour, ginger, spice and salt together. Prepare the fruit, almonds and candied peel. Grate the rind from the oranges and lemons and squeeze out the juice.

Mix in a large bowl the dried fruit, almonds, candied peel, grated apple, orange and lemon rind and sugar. Add the sifted flour, spices and bread crumbs.

Important Stirring

Stir thoroughly, melt the margarine and add it to the mixture. Whisk the eggs, add to them the milk and the brandy and the orange and lemon juice.

Pour this liquid into the pudding and stir until well moistened.

Leave the pudding to stand over night, cover with a clean cloth. In the morning, fill the basins, cover with paper and tie them down firmly. Steam for 6 hours.

On Christmas Day, steam again for 4 hours. If boiled only half the time is required.

Puddings on the shelf, then cake making begins. Only one or two keepers are necessary; the rest I make the week before Christmas with the pastries.

Here is a good keeper recipe. I make this in an oblong tin as it is easier to cut into smallish pieces. Most people only want a taste at tea-time after the big dinner.

Christmas Cake

Ingredients: 1lb. flour, 1lb. butter, 1lb. castor sugar, 1lb. ground almonds, 1lb. glace cherries, 1lb. Sun-Maid seedless raisins, 1lb. citron peel, grated rind and juice of 1 lemon, 1 glass brandy, 6 eggs.

Cream butter and sugar together, grate in rinds of orange and lemon peel, and beat in eggs one at a time with a little flour.

Boxing Day Pie

The mince pies we leave until last. Instead of always making little ones, I find a large pie with a shortcake top is the thing for

Sausages, chestnuts and mince pies accompany the King and Queen of the Christmas dinner

Then add the other ingredients (the cherries cut in halves), the remainder of the flour, the fruit juice and brandy last of all. The family can give it all a stir.

See that the mixture is of a firm consistency. Pour into an oblong paper-lined tin and bake for three hours.

One word of explanation about raisins. In the pudding I mention seeded raisins. These are his nuts already seeded which save the trouble of hand stoning.

The seedless raisins are small, sweet and quite seedless.

Quite early in December I begin to make inquiries about the prices of turkeys. A nice sized hen with small bones and a plump breast is the ideal, but they, alas, are the most expensive.

Turkey Talk

But my choice is always a smallish bird and plenty of sausages to help it round. Two sausages per head for dinner is my allowance and another painful cooked with the bird to get the turkey flavour.

These are left in the pan until they are cold and are popular at supper-time.

I'm particular about the sausages. I always order them in advance at the same time as the piece of bacon for boiling, and insist on having Harris real Wiltshire for both, then I know there will be no complaints from anybody.

Extra grocery list, fruit, bread, milk are all worked out well in advance. This year is going to be more difficult than ever with Christmas falling on a Sunday, so I advise you to be well prepared and stocked up.

The kitchen and cooking utensils have already had an overhaul. Saucepans, inspected, cake mincepie tins scalded out and a note made about replacements like a better egg beater, a measuring jug and a new small frying pan for doing up little things.

When ever possible I cook in glass as I save a lot especially steams and fish dishes.

There is nothing better for retaining the full flavour in food, and I am glad to see there is now a glass

trying pan in Pyrex Flameware. You have only to taste sausage, kidneys or a chop done in one and served straight from the pan on to your plate to realise how good it is.

The handle is detachable so that it is really quite presentable on the nicest of tables. There is nothing nicer to my mind than a "try" served in its own gravy.

Boxing Day Pie

The mince pies we leave until last. Instead of always making little ones, I find a large pie with a shortcake top is the thing for

Boxing Day lunch. Here is my recipe for it.

Ingredients (pastry): 9oz. self-raising flour, 4oz. short margarine, 11 gills of milk, pinch of salt and 4oz. demerara sugar, 2oz. margarine, 1lb. mince, 1 tablespoon sherry, rum, or lemon juice.

Sift flour and salt into a basin and rub in the margarine. Mix to a fairly soft dough with milk, and knead lightly into a smooth lump. Melt the sugar and margarine

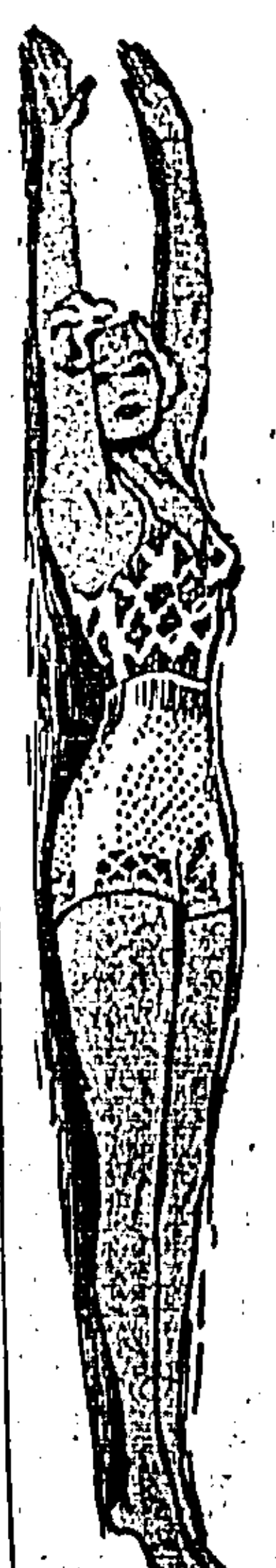
together, add the mince, meat and spread in the bottom of a pie-dish evenly.

Put the shortcake mixture over the top of the dish and bake for 30 minutes in a fairly hot oven.

During the coming month it is a good plan to add a few extras each week to the grocery order, in order to build up a Christmas order.

The last week there are nuts and dates, crackers and beverages, for, of course, you won't forget the festive bottle of port.

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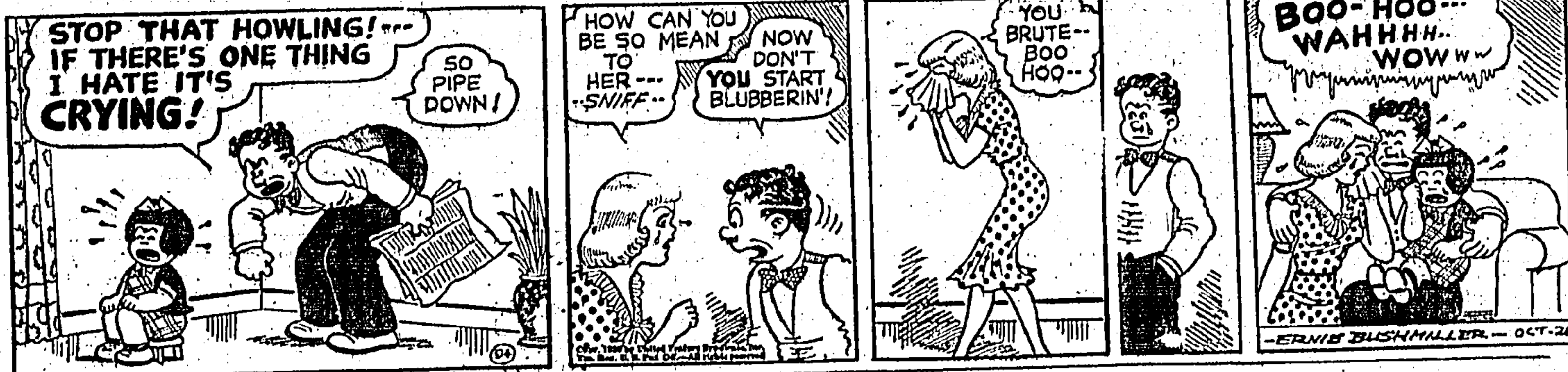
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"Highway Patrol" (Majestic): An action drama. Here is clean-cut young highway officer who takes a holiday from pursuing speeders to protect a big industrial plant from gangsters and dynamite. Leading roles taken by Robert Paige and Jacqueline Wells.

"Dark Victory" (King's): A sentimental film admirably produced by Edmund Goulding. Bette Davis gives an excellent portrayal of a hard-drinking socialite who becomes a victim of a mysterious malady. The part of the young doctor is well handled by George Brent.

Dutch Gold For U.S.

\$2,000,000 Worth Reaches N. York

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Rotterdam Lloyd Steamer Kolapenag docked here to-day with \$2,000,000 worth of gold from the Dutch East Indies consigned to the Federal Reserve Bank.

U.S. Gold Imports

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Department of Commerce reports that gold imports for the week ending November 22 were valued at \$12,000,000, and exports were valued at \$5,337, compared with \$29,700,400 and \$3,155 respectively during the preceding week.

Nazi Morale Weakens

Internal Wranglings Help Allies

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Speaking before the Chelsea Conservative Association, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Lord Privy Seal, said that in the early days of the war the Nazi Government felt that the agreement with the Soviet gave them the balance of power.

This had not been the case and as a result there had been endless discussions at the Nazi Supreme Headquarters of wrangling, outbursts, quarrels, and misgivings in Germany.

It could not definitely be said that German morale was likely to break, but the past twelve weeks had left Hitler weaker and enabled the Allies to strengthen their position.

Premier's Tributes Men Who Fought Nazi Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—Mr. Chamberlain said in the House of Commons to-day, the Allies did not enter the war with any vindictive purposes, and they do not intend to impose a vindictive peace.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "None of us know how long the war will last, what direction it will develop, or who, when it is ended, will be standing on our side or will be against us. Hence, we are unable at present to outline the conditions under which a new world will be created."

Reprisals To Start

The Premier announced that the seizure of German exports will become effective next Monday.

"We intend to do our best to cause the least possible inconvenience to the least possible number of neutrals with whom we have no quarrel," he said.

He paid tribute to the crew of the Rawalpindi for carrying out the great traditions of the Royal Navy.

"No one could read the account of the heroic action of those naval reservists and naval pensioners without deep emotion."

"They had no thought of surrender. They fought with their guns until they could fight no more, then they went down," he said.

"Although the battle was one-sided, there was no one who can say that the enemy broke the generally recognized rules of naval warfare."

Premier's Ovation

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain was loudly cheered on rising to-day in the House of Commons to make an address.

He first dealt with Parliamentary process regarding the forthright establishment of a Select Committee on national expenditure, and said that in the present circumstances the liberation bill he had introduced was necessary for the effective prosecution of the war.

The war, as now being conducted, had been described as a siege war, and as far as land operations were concerned, that was an appropriate term.

Heroic Action

But on the sea, the fight was being waged in deadly earnest.

Nobody could read the account of the heroic action of the naval reservists and pensioners who manned the Rawalpindi against overwhelming odds without deep emotion.

These men must have known as soon as they sighted the enemy that there was no chance for them, but they had no thought of surrender.

They fought with their guns until they could fight no more and then went to their deaths, thereby carrying on the great traditions of the Royal Navy.

The Exports Embargo

Regarding the Order-in-Council on the placing of an embargo on German exports, Mr. Chamberlain recognized that inconvenience, perhaps loss, would be inflicted on neutrals, but these measures for helping to bring our effort to a successful conclusion might well be worth some sacrifice on the part of neutrals.

"We intend to do our best to cause the least possible injury to neutrals consistent with the purpose of stopping German exports," said Mr. Chamberlain.

The date, December 4, was purposely fixed to give them ample time to make preparations.

Reply To Attlee

Referring to the recent speech of Mr. Clement R. Attlee, the Leader of the Labour Opposition, Mr. Chamberlain said that Mr. Attlee had said that imperialism must be abandoned, but did not say what country he had in mind as practicing imperialism to-day.

"If imperialism means assertion of racial superiority, suppression, both political and economic, of other peoples, exploitation of the resources of other countries for the benefit of the imperialistic country, then I say that these are not the characteristics of this country, but they are the characteristics of the German Empire."

Colonial Empire A Trust

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"The League of Nations, as an instrument of preserving peace, has been a failure, but its work in other directions has been invaluable, the scope of which is not sufficiently recognized."

Win The War First

Mr. Chamberlain, continuing his address, said that he would like to see that side of the League developed and extended very considerably.

"We are not so rigid in our views that we would refuse to adapt our methods to the changed conditions, but all sorts of fancy plans were advocated in the last war and disillusionment followed," he said.

"We had better win the war first whilst not forgetting what will come after."

NAZI VERSION OF BATTLE

(Continued from Page 1.)

Vice Admiral Marshall, who commanded the German naval forces which sank the British ship, holds the rank of "Commander of Battleships."

Well, That's Their Story

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—The following communiqué has been issued by the Nazis:

"At the British coast numerous ships struck mines and sank."

"England's anxiety over the German U-boat and air attacks and her wish to save her fleet has forced her to withdraw from the North Sea and North Atlantic area and leave these territories to the German naval force which operates there as well."

"The battle near Iceland is best proof of England's weakness."

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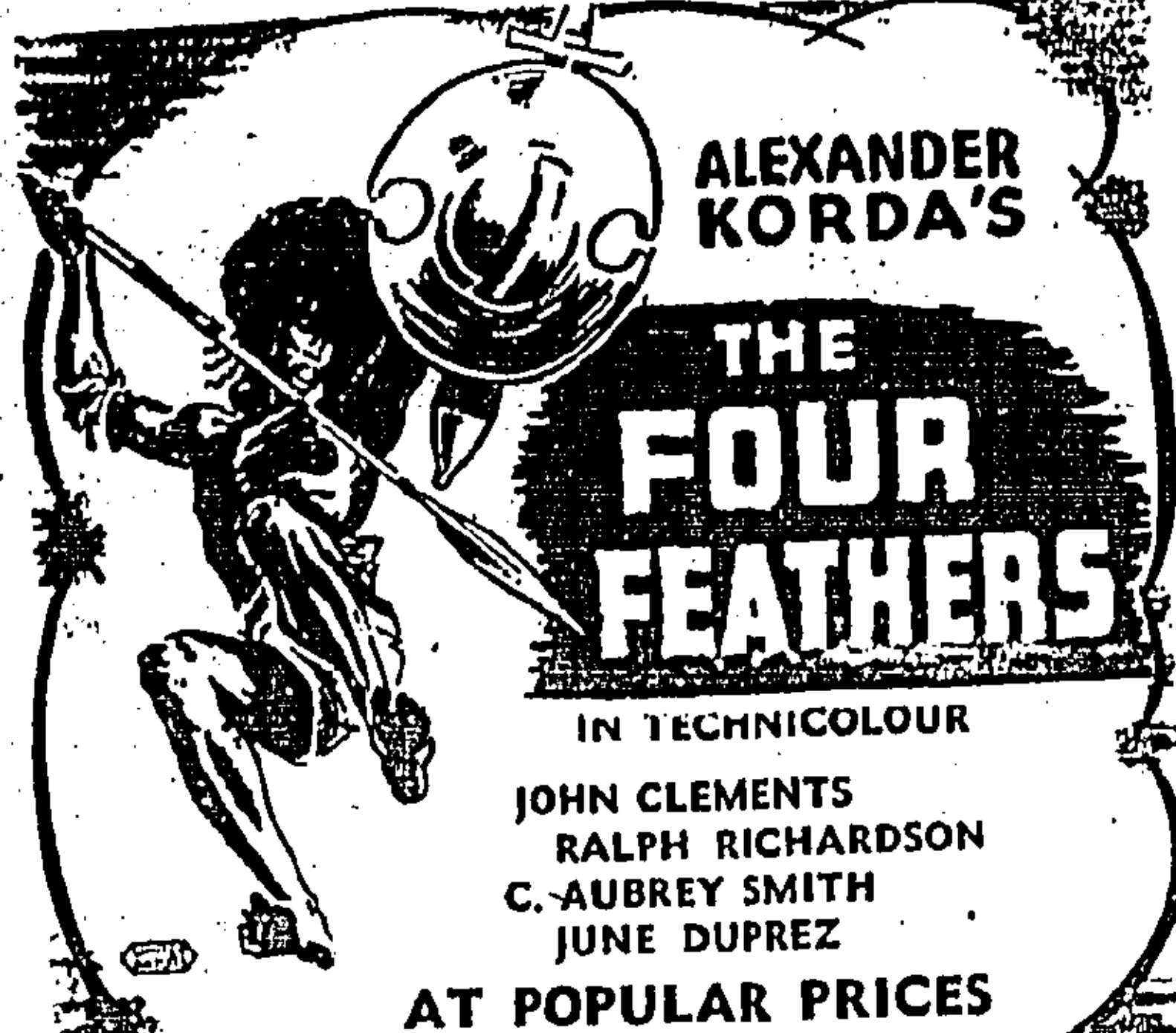
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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters) Special Correspondent with the R.A.F.—A young Nazi bomber pilot, who landed his bullet-riddled plane behind the Maginot Line, has just dined as guest of honour in the mess of the men who brought him down, and that dinner has changed his whole outlook on England and Englishmen.

The bomber, engaged by three fighters, began to fall with his engines falling. The gunner and observer jumped with parachutes. Two fighters then withdrew and the pilot of the third machine saw a German crumple over the controls, apparently dead.

Lots Of Fight Left

Actually he had lots of fight left. Leaping out of the cockpit, he managed to grasp his forward machine gun in one hand, while with the other he kept the plane from stalling.

Then he fired a burst which put the fighter out of action before the bomber itself landed with the pilot unhurt.

R.A.F. pilots were so filled with admiration at the man's courage and resourcefulness that they invited him to dine in their mess. Half-way through the meal the German suddenly became silent, dropped his head into his hands and began to sob.

Two officers led him from the room.

Kindness Overwhelmed Him

A little later he returned and explained: "In the past year, we have been saturated with propaganda about how the British hate us, and that we must hate them too. I could not help believing that there was some truth in all this. They told me that if I was captured, I would be shot or tortured."

Discovery of the truth in that R.A.F. mess had been too much for him.

Nazi Base Attacked

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters)—An Air Ministry announcement states: "This afternoon one of our long-range fighter patrols, which had been out to search for enemy mine-laying seaplanes, reconnoitred a seaplane base at Bokrum and there found and attacked with machine-gun fire three of these seaplanes."

"Our fighters were engaged by heavy anti-aircraft fire, to which they replied."

"All our aircraft returned safely."

Scots Concert To-morrow

Gala Entertainment At Hongkong Hotel

The Hongkong Hotel will be the venue of an important social gathering on Friday night in celebration of St. Andrew's Day. Special variety turns will be presented at the "Gripes" in honour of the occasion by Dave Harvey and the Dyer Sisters, June West and Kay, and Mignone.

As there is to be no St. Andrew's Ball this year, the Society have arranged for a concert to take place earlier in the evening at the King's Theatre.

The Chieftain of Hongkong St. Andrew's Society, Dr. G. D. R. Black, will entertain H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote to dinner at the Hongkong Hotel. The official party will then proceed to the King's Theatre for the concert, the proceeds of which will be given to the British War Organisation Fund.

Special musical arrangements of popular Scottish melodies will be played by the Band of the Bn. The Royal Scots, the Hongkong Hotel Club will present the Highland Fling and Argyll Broadsword. Scottish songs will be sung by Doris Blair, Elin Logan, and Jean Greig. Pipe Major Mackie will give a bagpipe selection accompanied by Lieut. A. R. Colquhoun on the accordion.

Following the concert, many members of the local Scottish community will adjourn to the Hongkong Hotel for a social gathering.

Attempt To End Strike

San Francisco Harbour Dislocated

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28 (UP)—In an effort to end the 19 day shipping tie-up in which the Dock Clerks' Union, affiliated with the International Longshoremen's Union and the Warehousemen's Union, who are on strike demanding a single contract to cover the daily and monthly wage of cargo checkers, Governor Culbert Olson has submitted a plan providing for the State Harbour Commissioners to operate the San Francisco harbour temporarily, and for the strikers to resume work pending a settlement of the dispute.

However, he indicated that he did not contemplate martial law although he is seeking legal opinion on just how far the Governor's power extends regarding the harbour.

REDS DENOUNCE PACT WITH FINLAND

(Continued from Page 1.)

aggression pact was due to the Finns' anti-Soviet policy, which was not consistent with the terms of the treaty.

Finns Open Fire, Claim

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP)—Moscow Radio announced Finnish troops twice opened fire on Karelian Isthmus.

The Soviet Reply

MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Reuters)—The Soviet reply asserts that the Finnish Government has systematically broken its pact. The Finnish denial of the act of aggression is only explicable by the desire to mislead public opinion, and the Finnish refusal to withdraw troops from the frontier proves the desire of the Finnish Government to keep Leningrad under the immediate threat of its army.

The Soviet reply also asserts that the Finnish Government has committed a hostile act against the Soviet in concentrating the majority of its troops opposite Leningrad. The presence of these Finnish troops directly threatens Soviet troops, which do not constitute a menace to Finland.

It would be absurd to withdraw the Soviet troops 15 miles from the frontier as this would place them beyond the suburbs of Leningrad.

Soviets Disbelieve Finns

MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Reuters)—The Soviet Press contains no mention of the Finnish reply to the Soviet note. It says that Finnish shells had been responsible for the death and wounding of several Soviet soldiers, and continues to fill up its pages with reports of protest meetings of Soviet workers.

It is evident that the Finnish denial is disbelieved in Moscow.

Soviet troops have been ordered to fire back in future.

German Sympathy For Finns

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (Reuters)—Although the Nazi Government is practically supporting Soviet Russia in its pressure on Finland, there are signs that the German people are sympathetic towards Finland's case.

Tense Confirmation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (UP)—The Foreign Office press department, this evening telegraphically announced Soviet denunciation of the non-aggression pact and the receipt of an "unconditional" reply to the Finnish note. No official comment was forthcoming pending consultations, but previously commenting on the Soviet statement, the Government spokesman said: "We are right. There is no doubt about it, and we cannot be shaken by demonstrations of this or any other kind."

In the meantime, it is understood that Soviet agents during the past few days, have opened up at the two largest banks bought at the million Finnish marks. There is considerable mystery regarding the purpose of this move particularly since the Governmental restrictions prevent shipment abroad.

Soviet Allegations

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters)—In a note handed by M. Molotov to the Finnish Minister to Russia this afternoon, Moscow denounced the Soviet-Finnish Treaty of Non-Aggression. Simultaneously reports were broadcast throughout Russia of further alleged frontier incidents in which Finnish troops were "guilty of grave provocation."

The Moscow radio alleged that Finnish troops attempted to cross the Soviet border and that their artillery had again shelled Soviet territory. The report referred to a clash in which three Finnish soldiers are alleged to have been killed and two taken prisoner.

Highly Critical Situation

It is now patently clear that the situation has become highly critical, and although the Finnish Foreign Office continues to make statements expressing the hope that a peaceful solution will be possible, there is little disposition elsewhere to view the position as other than extremely grave.

All day to-day Soviet planes in large numbers were flying along the Finnish frontier and they penetrated frequently many miles into Finnish territory.

They were not fired upon by Finnish A.A. guns because specific instructions had been given to all units in the frontier zone that on no account was any measure to be taken that could be exploited by the Soviet as provocation.

Finnish Cabinet Meets

A meeting of the Finnish Cabinet was called as soon as the Minister to Moscow had communicated the text of the Russian note.

Denunciation of the Non-Aggression Pact was received as a stunning blow, and together with the information of large concentrations of army mechanised units and air force in the Leningrad area, has left the Finnish people with few doubts as to the Russian intentions.

One of the first acts of the Cabinet was to issue instructions for the mobilisation of all of Finland's fighting forces, totalling some 600,000 men.

Alleged frontier incidents reported in Moscow are categorically denied in an official statement.

From Moscow, it is reported that instructions have been given to Red Army commanders on the Finnish frontier to answer "any further Finnish provocation."

Three Main Points

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (UP)—Moscow Radio to-day reviewed the exchange of notes between the Soviet and Finland and described the three main points of the latest Soviet note: (1) The Finnish denial of the frontier incidents cannot be explained as anything other than an effort to mislead public opinion and "deride" the victims of the incidents. (2) The Finnish refusal to withdraw her troops from the border is a

REPRISALS NEXT WEEK

Order-In-Council Announces Embargo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP)—Reprisals against Germany due to U-boat action against British, Allied and neutral vessels in contravention of the Submarine Protocol of 1936 (of which Germany is a party), and the indiscriminate laying of mines in contravention of the Hague Convention of 1907, were announced by the Order-In-Council to-day.

The order provides that every merchant ship sailing from an enemy port or other ports after December 4 may be required to discharge in British and Allied ports all goods loaded for Germany or of German origin.

"hostile act" and shows the Finnish desire to keep a "threat" hanging over Leningrad because it would create an "absurd situation". (3) Finland, due to the foregoing acts, has performed a "hostile act" not in accord with the obligations of the non-aggression pact.

Border Incidents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP)—The Moscow radio has announced two incidents on the Karelian Isthmus, alleging that the Finnish troops opened fire.

No Nazi Comment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP)—Authoritative quarters have refused to comment on the present Soviet-Finnish situation.

"We hold the standpoint that this question concerns only Finland and Russia, and that it will be solved by these two countries alone," it was stated.

Must Be Some Mistake

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (UP)—Field Marshal Mannerheim, returning from the direction of the border towns stated to-day: "There must be some mistake. At the time of the shooting, the Finnish troops at this point were attending an open-air Sunday sermon."

The Field Marshal said that the Finnish light artillery was 20 kilometers behind the border. Tension increases in the Soviet-Finnish situation has significantly increased as the result of the Finnish reply to the Soviet demands in connection with the border incident.

The Finnish Government has rejected the Soviet demands for withdrawal of Finnish troops from the frontier.

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LATE NEWS

Fresh Incidents

MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Domel)—Moscow Radio has announced that clashes have occurred at two places between frontier guards.

According to the announcement, the first incident occurred near Riihimaki, Finland in the north, when five Finnish soldiers allegedly fired upon Soviet troops at about 5 p.m. The more serious incident took place at the southern border near Leningrad where Finnish artillery allegedly bombarded the Soviet side, over 100 shells are alleged to have fallen into Soviet territory.

In return, the Soviet announcement claims, Soviet forces opened machine-gun fire and repulsed the Finnish troops into their own territory. No announcement has been made of casualties on either side.

Scots Survivors

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (Reuters)—The German communiqué on the sinking of the Rawalpindi by the Deutschland and another ship south of Iceland says that the naval engagement took place in fading evening light.

The first German burst of shells found their target. Five then broke out until the whole ship was in flames.

Several detonations were heard, indicating that ammunition supplies were blowing up.

The ship sank rapidly. All the survivors picked up by the German vessels were Scotsmen.

U-Boat Crew Saved

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuters)—A British auxiliary cruiser has landed 72 German prisoners, including 12 officers, in natty uniforms at a west country port.

They are said to be survivors of a U-boat and of three German cargo-ships scuttled when challenged by the Royal Navy.

They had been on board the cruiser for some weeks.

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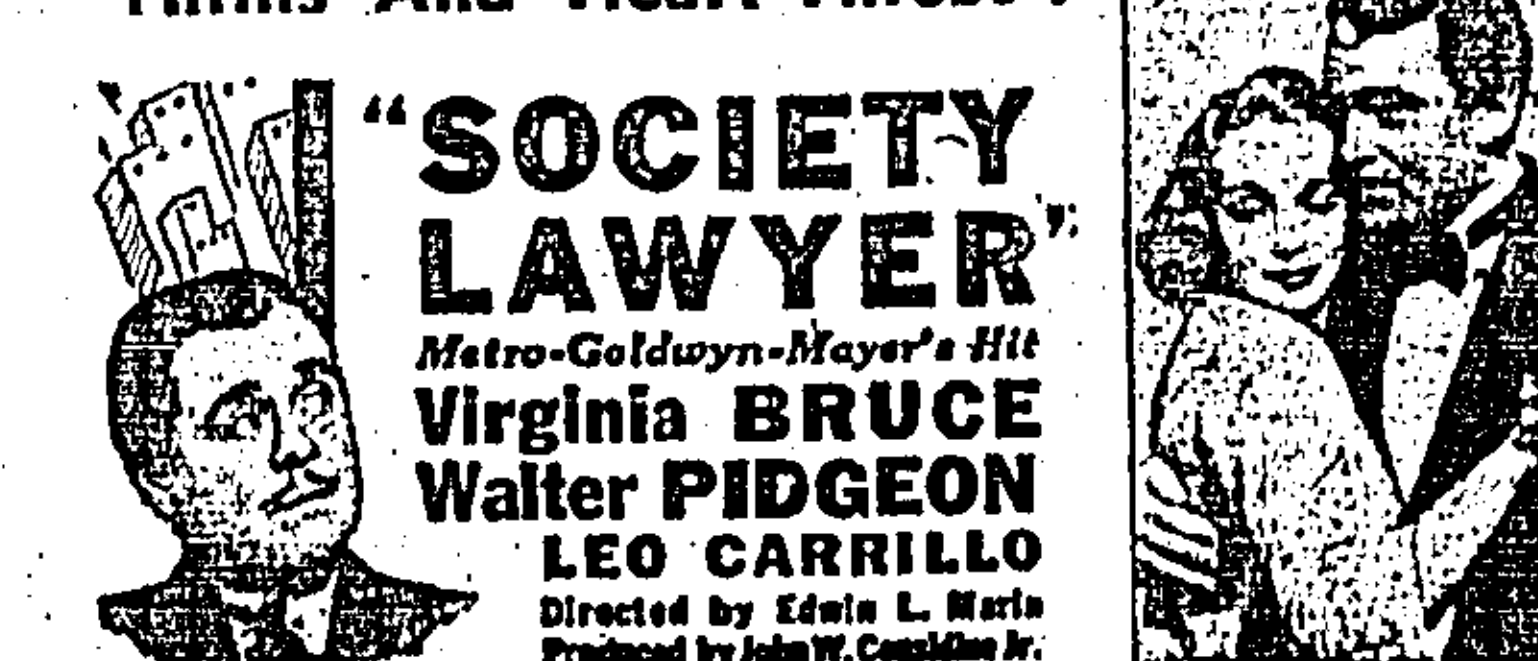
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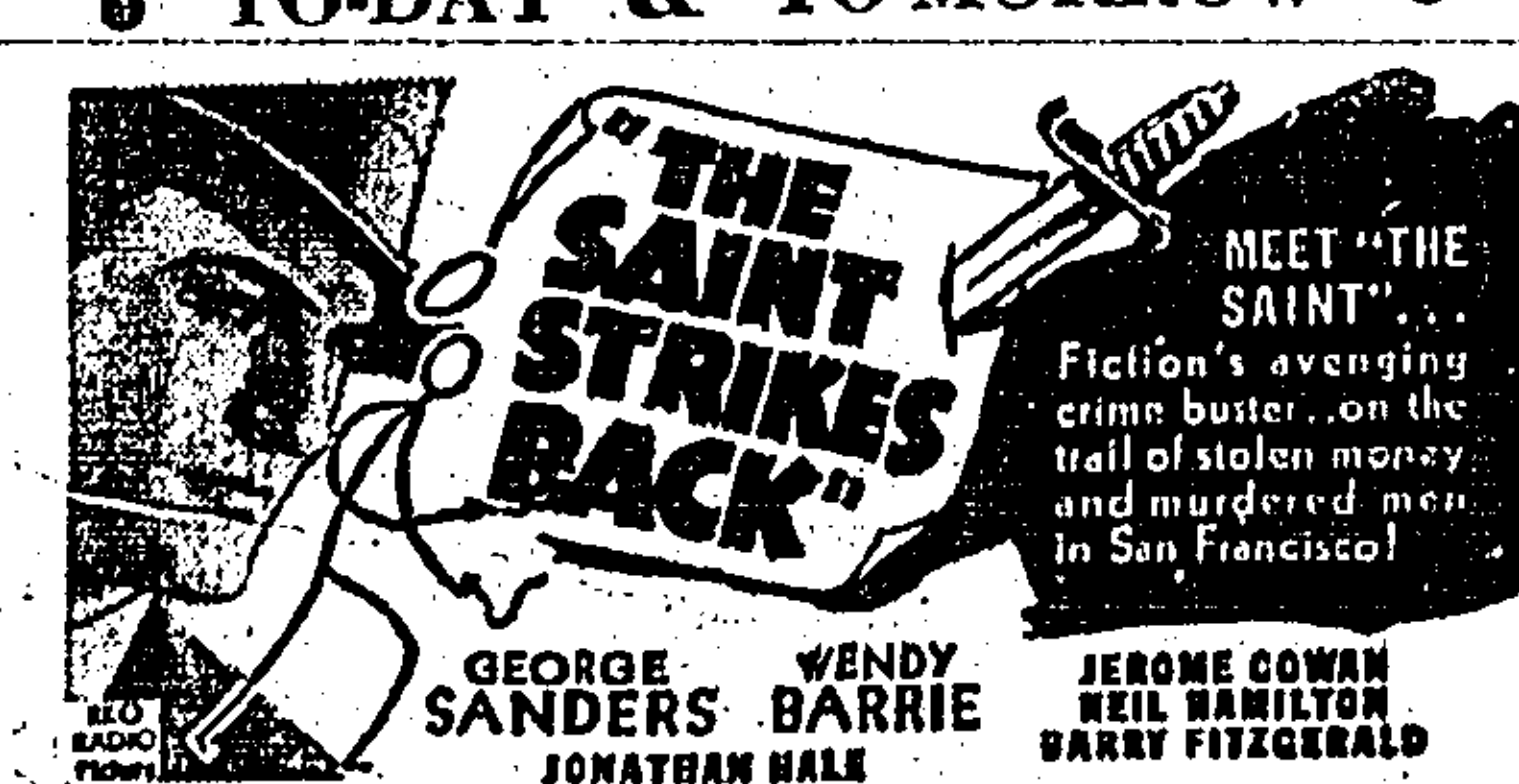
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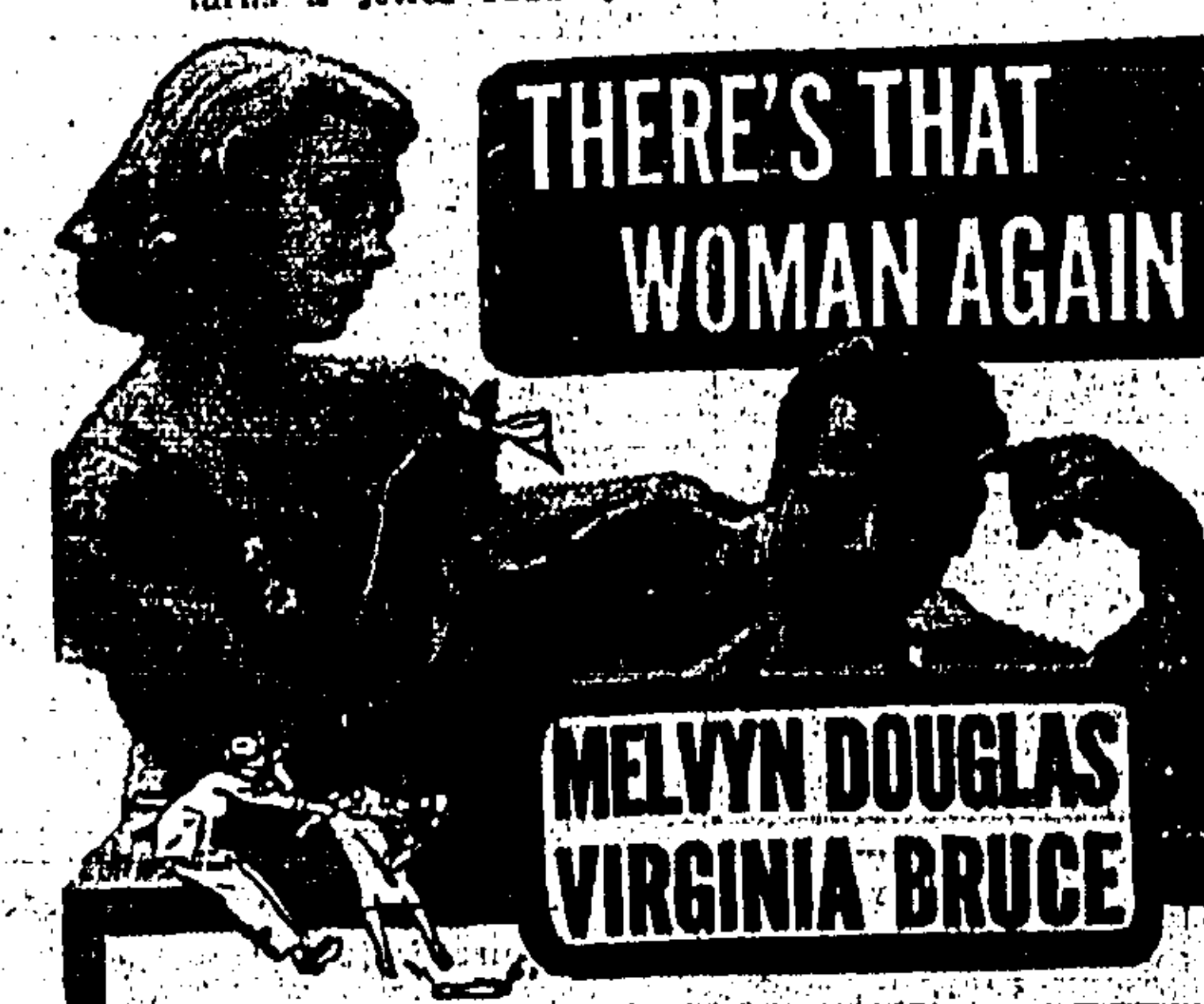
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Russian Showdown Believed Imminent: Russia Orders Troops to Move As 18-Hour Ultimatum to Helsingfors Is Reported From Copenhagen

SOVIET TROOPS CONCENTRATING ALONG FRONTIER OF FINLAND

DIET CALLED FOR SPECIAL SESSION IN HELSINGFORS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, NOV. 29 (DOMEI).—RUSSO-FINNISH RELATIONS ARE RAPIDLY APPROACHING A FINAL SHOWDOWN.

SOVIET TROOPS FROM THE LENINGRAD AREA ARE NOW CONCENTRATING ON THE FINNISH FRONTIER.

The Finnish Diet has been called for an extraordinary session.

A spokesman of the Finnish Foreign Office admitted to-day that the situation was serious.

By denouncing the Non-Aggression Pact, Soviet Russia has removed the last impediment to an armed invasion of Finland.

"There is no knowing what will happen now," the Foreign Office spokesman said.

"The next few days will be most critical."

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Chinese Who Fled To H.K. Reveals Secrets

CHUNGKING, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Interesting revelations as to what are alleged to have occurred at the so-called "Sixth Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang" at Shanghai on August 29 under the chairmanship of Wang Ching-wei are made by Lo Ching-tao, a member of the C.E.C.

Lo says that he was kidnapped by Wang Ching-wei's followers to attend the session as a member of the Presidium but escaped after the meeting to Hongkong, whence he flew to Chungking.

Speaking at a Press conference, Lo stated that Chu Ming-yi called on him on the morning of August 29, inviting him to lunch.

Was No Meal

There, however, was no meal. Instead, he was driven by car to the home of General Chen Tiao-yuan in the French Concession near Jesselfield Park, where he was taken to a room to meet Wang Ching-wei, Chow Fu-hai, Mei Sze-ping and Fu Tung.

Wang Ching-wei, according to Lo Ching-tao, requested him to attend the "Sixth Plenary Session of the C.E.C."

After explaining that Japan had agreed to recognize the new National Government and the Central Kuomintang to be formed, the Kuomintang flag and the Three Peoples Principles, Wang is alleged to have requested Lo to be responsible for Mongolian and Tibetan affairs in the new government.

After this, they were taken downstairs to a large hall where the meeting was held.

Lo declared that Wang Ching-wei proposed seven members for the Presidium, namely Wang Ching-wei, Yang Kwei-yi, Chiao King, Chow Fu-hai, Mei Sze-ping, Fu Tung and himself.

100 New Members

Wang also proposed to increase the members of the Central Executive Committee.

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AIR RAID ON LANCHOW

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LANCHOW, Nov. 29 (UP).—Seventy Japanese planes heavily bombed this area last Tuesday.

A direct hit was scored on the Chinese Mission.

Ultimatum Reported

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 29 (UP).—Reports are circulating in diplomatic circles here that Soviet Russia is sending an ultimatum to Finland to-day, demanding the withdrawal of Finnish troops to a point 15 miles behind the existing frontier.

The ultimatum is reported to have an 18-hour time limit, and will expire, therefore, on Friday.

Finnish troops must be withdrawn by Sunday.

Copenhagen diplomatic circles report that Soviet Russia is determined on action which will yield the territory she desires. It is believed that she will claim the Isthmus of Karelia, which faces the Gulf of Finland.

Troops Ordered to March

MOSCOW, Nov. 29 (Domei).—The Soviet Military Command has ordered troops in the Leningrad area, which is about 25 miles from Finland, to march on the Finnish border.

The order adds: "In case of further provocation, the Red Army will annihilate the Finnish troops."

Finland will Resist

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 29 (UP).—Finland is prepared to resist Soviet aggression to its utmost capacity.

This warning was issued to-day by the Finnish Foreign Minister.

Finland, he said, hopes for a friendly settlement of the dispute.

It was unnecessary to add that Finland was considerably disturbed, however, by the Soviet abrogation of the Non-Aggression Pact.

Last-Minute Warning

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—Political circles in Moscow, according to a Moscow telegram, consider that while the denunciation of the Soviet-Finnish Pact greatly increases the tension, it does not necessarily mean that an armed collision is imminent.

But the Soviet move is in the nature of an urgent last-minute warning to Finland.

Further developments depend upon the Finnish Government's reception of the Soviet note.

Helsingfors Denial

INSISTENT RUSSIAN REPORTS, broadcast from Moscow Radio, that there has been further fighting on the Finnish-Soviet frontier, are categorically denied in Helsingfors, says a "Domei" message.

According to Moscow Radio, quoted by "United Press," fighting between Russian and Finnish troops is reported on two frontiers—in the Anegro area on the Arctic coast and north of Leningrad.

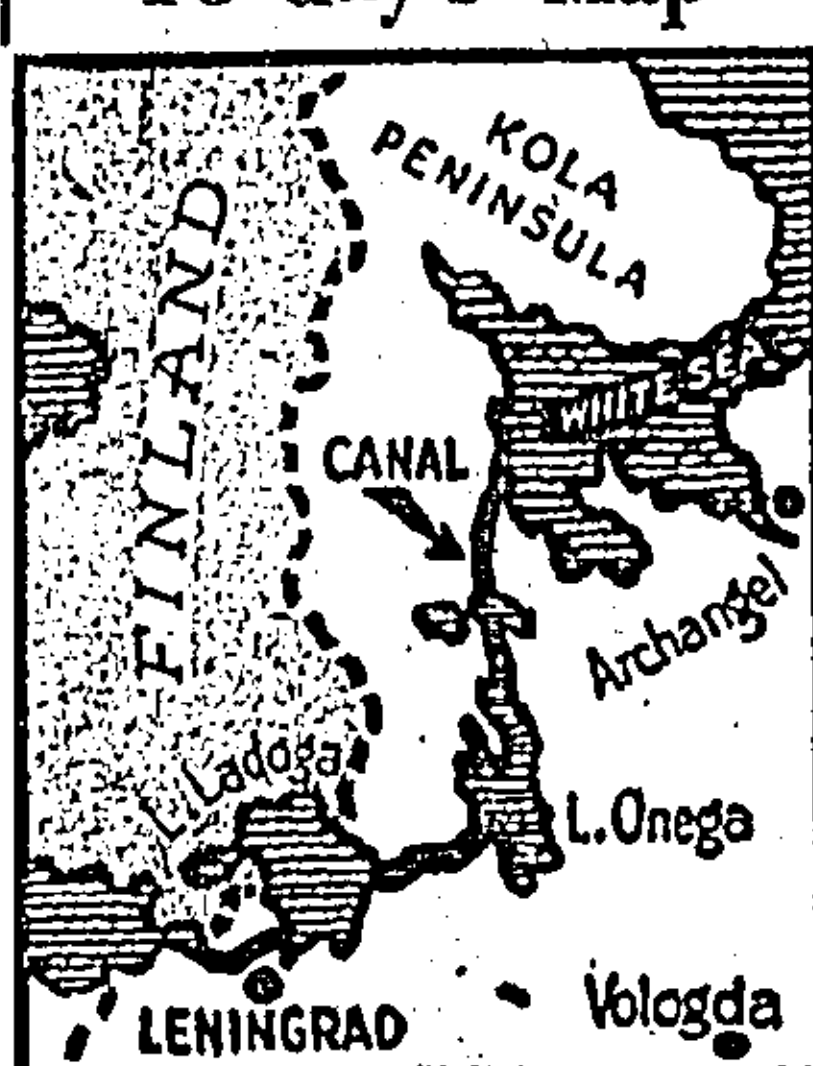
Meanwhile, says "United Press," the Soviet Navy may now seize four unfortified Finnish islands in the Gulf of Finland.

The surrender of the islands of Hoogland, Lavansaari, Tykarisaari and Selkai was demanded by Russia during the abortive Moscow negotiations.

The Soviet has given no indication as to their next step, but they have

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To-day's Map



This Is What They Said In 1914

WILL MAKE BRITAIN BEND KNEE

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—German comment on the publication of the British Order-in-Council for reprisals says: "We shall meet the menace with a worse menace."

"We shall fight until England bends the knee as no other power has ever bent before us."

Must Be Relentless

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—Admiral the Earl of Cork and Orrery, moving the address in reply to the King's Speech in the House of Lords, declared that Britain was fighting an unscrupulous enemy.

There was danger of under-estimating German strength and how far Germany was prepared to go.

No economic pressure, he declared, would make Germany sue for peace.

Germany would give way only under severe blows on land, sea and air. "They must be hard and relentless."

Advice To Shipping

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—It is stated in an announcement by the Ministry of Economic Warfare that vessels in the Mediterranean carrying German cargoes inward or outward are recommended to facilitate speedy handling, to call at Haifa, Malta or Gibraltar.

This is purely voluntary but ships ignoring the Control request are liable to be diverted.

Japan Protests To Franco

TOKYO, Nov. 29 (Domei).—It is understood that the Japanese Government has made representations to the French Government with regard to the seizure of German goods aboard neutral ships on the high seas.

The representations are understood to have been similar to those made to the British Government recently.

C. P. LINER WITHDRAWN

Though some of them were booked through to Shanghai and Vancouver, all the passengers aboard a Canadian Pacific liner disembarked when she arrived here from Manila this morning.

There were, however, only a few in the first and tourist classes.

The ship is now understood to be under Admiralty orders and her future movements are unknown.

Two Nazi Raiders At Sea

GERMAN VERSION OF RAWALPINDI EPIC

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (Domei).

—It is learned from reliable sources that two German pocket-battleships are at large in the Atlantic, the Deutschland in the Northern Atlantic and Graf Spee in the Southern Atlantic.

A spokesman of the German High Command claimed to-day that Germany has now secured the command of the sea not only in the North Sea but also in the North Atlantic.

The German High Command announced that the British converted cruiser Rawalpindi was sunk by German fleet units under command of Vice-Admiral Marshall.

Twenty-six members of the British crew have been rescued.

Nazi Version Of Battle

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (UP).—Authoritative sources here claim that the British armed merchant cruiser Rawalpindi was sunk "by a group of German surface boats, including heavier units, in the first surface engagement of the war."

Battle In Bad Light

The German Official News Agency, describing the sinking of the Rawalpindi, says: "The battle was during dusk in bad light."

"German artillery immediately hit the British cruiser which was enveloped in flames."

"Detonations were heard followed by an explosion and the ship sank immediately."

Vice Admiral Marshall, who commanded the German naval forces which sank the British ship, holds the rank of "Commander of Battleships."

Well, That's Their Story

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—The following communiqué has been issued by the Nazis:

"At the British coast numerous ships struck mines and sank."

"England's anxiety over the German U-boat and air attacks and her wish to save her fleet has forced her to withdraw from the North Sea and North Atlantic area and leave these territories to the German naval force which operates there as well."

"The battle near Iceland is best proof of England's weakness."

"Not only the fact that a British auxiliary cruiser was sunk but also the fact that it was sunk in this area."

"Mr. Lloyd George has already stated that Britain has withdrawn from the North Sea and now her weakness is made clear by this naval battle in the North Atlantic."

Munitions Blow Up

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—There was a series of terrific explosions on the Rawalpindi following German gunfire, according to an eye-witness

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REDS DENOUNCE PACT OF NON-AGGRESSION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Nov. 29 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Soviet Union has denounced the non-aggression pact with Finland.

Abrogation of the pact becomes effective immediately.

The Soviet has also rejected the Finnish "explanation" of the frontier incident and has renewed demands for the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the border.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, in a brief interview with the Finnish Minister to Moscow, Baron Anno Koskinen, charged that the Finnish attitude is evidence of "deep hostility against the Soviet" and that "Finland shows a desire to bring the present crisis to a head."

Crisis Rapidly Approaching

As evidence that the crisis is rapidly approaching a showdown, the Red Army forces which were on the border previous to the abrogation, have now been ordered to return any fire from the Finnish side and to "annihilate" those responsible.

Reports from the Leningrad area facing Finland also indicate that the Red Army is prepared for action, while the Soviet naval forces centred off Leningrad are described as being ready for all eventualities.

Not An Ultimatum

M. Molotov's renewed demand for the withdrawal of Finnish troops does not constitute an ultimatum as no time limit has been set.

He told the Finnish Minister during their 20 minutes conversation that the Soviet denunciation of the non-aggression pact was due to the Finns' anti-Soviet policy, which was not consistent with the terms of the treaty.

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LATEST

BERLIN THINKS INVASION NEAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (Domei).—Competent observers here believe that the Soviet Government's denunciation of the non-aggression pact with Finland precludes the marching of Soviet troops into Finland.

It is reported in this connection that Germany will support the allegedly impending Soviet action in Finland on condition that Finnish foodstuffs will be available to Germany.

131 SHIPS LOST

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Domei).—A total of 131 ships, with an aggregate tonnage of 485,000, represents the losses sustained by merchant ships of belligerents and neutral countries since the outbreak of the European war up to November 28, according to an announcement made by the Admiralty to-day.

British losses are given as 78 ships, totalling 226,100 tons. French, 22 ships, totalling 51,150 tons, and neutral 43 ships, totalling 144,500 tons.

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SMOKE SHELLS USED AS INFANTRY SCREEN

PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—German troops on the Western Front used smoke shell in an attack east of the Moselle.

The attack failed after the Germans had got within a few yards of the Maginot Line fortifications.

Following a preliminary bombardment by heavy artillery, the Germans attacked under cover of the smoke shells, which were fired by light artillery.

The French drove them back in a rout, using machine-guns, artillery

Artillery Active

PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—Artillery fire at different points along the Western Front is reported but no large-scale infantry operations are noted.

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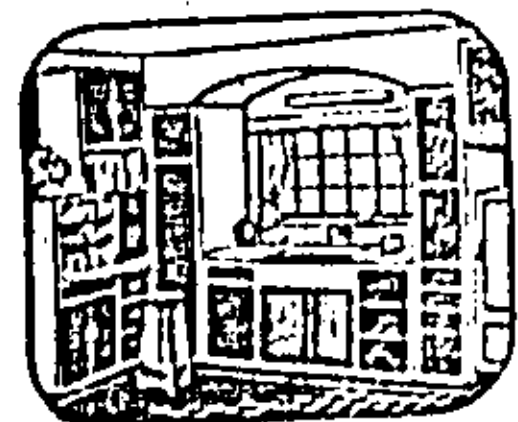
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By Order of the Board of Directors,

JOHN V. BRAGA,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1939.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

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PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—Although the Allied decision to seize German exports became legally effective last night, certain exceptions were made which will help neutrals.



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SOVIET TROOPS CONCENTRATING ALONG FRONTIER OF FINLAND

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made it clear that no compromise will be accepted. Speculation in diplomatic circles exclude the possibility of capitulation by the present Finnish Government or possible Russian willingness to resume the talks. However, it is believed that a peaceful settlement is possible if another Government accepts the Soviet demands.

Helsingfors Denies New Border Clashes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—HELSINGFORS, Nov. 29 (Domel).—The Finnish military authorities have issued a denial of the Soviet broadcast of fresh border clashes. The statement describes the Soviet claims that Finnish troops have crossed the border and bombarded Soviet forces as "utterly without foundation."

The new reports, like the previous ones, are "pure fabrications" on the part of the Soviet, the statement adds.

Fresh Incidents Claimed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Domel).—Moscow Radio has announced that clashes have occurred at two places between frontier guards.

According to the announcement, the first incident occurred near Kibachi Peninsula in the north, when five Finnish soldiers allegedly fired upon Soviet troops at about 2 p.m. The more serious incident took place at the southern border near Leningrad where Finnish artillery allegedly bombarded the Soviet side, over 100 shells are alleged to have fallen into Soviet territory.

In return, the Soviet announcement claims, Soviet forces opened machine-gun fire and repulsed the Finnish troops into their own territory. No announcement has been made of casualties on either side.

Finnish Prisoners

MOSCOW, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—A series of frontier skirmishes between Finnish and Soviet troops are reported by the military command in the Leningrad area.

Three Finns have been taken prisoner. According to the official Soviet agency, five Finnish soldiers fired on a frontier patrol in the Karelian Isthmus.

The Finns were thrown back to their own territory.

There were no Soviet losses. Later, the Finns fired five rifle-shots, to which Soviet troops did not reply.

It is also reported that following the firing there were two cannon shots which burst in Soviet territory. Small groups of Finnish infantry attempted to cross the frontier, but in the face of rifle and machine-gun fire retreated inside Finnish territory.

Border Incidents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Moscow radio has announced two incidents on the Karelian Isthmus, alleging that the Finnish troops opened fire.

No Nazi Comment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—Authoritative quarters have refused to comment on the present Soviet-Finnish situation.

"We hold the standpoint that this question concerns only Finland and Russia, and that it will be solved by these two countries alone," it was stated.

Must Be Some Mistake

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (UP).—Field Marshal Mannerheim, returning from the direction of the border towns stated today: "There must be some mistake. At the time of the shooting, the Finnish troops at this point were attending an open-air Sunday sermon."

The Field Marshal said that the Finnish light artillery was 20 kilometers and the heavy artillery 50 kilometers behind the border.

Tension Increases

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Domel).—Tension in the Soviet-Finnish situation has significantly increased as the result of the Finnish reply to the Soviet demands in connection with the border incident.

The Finnish Government has rejected the Soviet demands for withdrawal of Finnish troops from the frontier.

Earl Browder Is "Razzed"

Told To "Go Back To Moscow"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—NEW HAVEN, Nov. 28 (UP).—Earl Browder, Secretary of the Communist Party in the United States, today addressed a riotous meeting of six hundred people held under the auspices of the Yale Peace Council. A gathering of 3,000 people gathered outside the meeting added to the turmoil, jeering and crying "Viva Hitler! Go back to Moscow!"

TWO NAZI RAIDERS AT SEA

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account of the sinking issued by the German news agency.

The Rawalpindi's munitions blew up and the vessel was a mass of fire.

Scots Survivors

BERLIN, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—The German communiqué on the sinking of the Rawalpindi by the Deutschland and another ship south of Iceland says that the naval engagement took place

REDS DENOUNCE PACT OF NON-AGGRESSION

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frontier as this would place them beyond the suburbs of Leningrad.

Soviets Disbelieve Finns
MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Soviet Press contains no mention of the Finnish reply to the Soviet note denying that Finnish shells had been responsible for the death and wounding of several Soviet soldiers, and continues to fill its pages with reports of protest meetings of Soviet workers.

It is evident that the Finnish denial is disbelieved in Moscow.

Soviet troops have been ordered to fire back in future.

German Sympathy For Finns

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Although the Nazi Government is practically supporting Soviet Russia in its pressure on Finland, there are signs that the German people are sympathetic towards Finland's case.

Tense Confirmation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Foreign Office press department, this evening tersely announced Soviet denunciation of the non-aggression pact and the receipt of an "unconciliatory" reply to the Finnish note.

No official comment was given pending consultations, but previously commenting on the Soviet demonstration, the Government spokesman said: "We are right. There is no doubt about it, and we cannot be shaken by demonstrations of this or any other kind."

In the meantime, it is understood that Soviet agents during the past few days have openly bought at the two largest banks between 45 and 60 million Finnish marks. There is considerable mystery regarding the purpose of this move particularly since the Governmental restrictions prevent shipment abroad.

Soviet Allegations

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—In a Finnish Minister to Russia this afternoon, Moscow denounced the Soviet-Finnish Treaty of Non-Aggression.

Simultaneously reports were broadcast throughout Russia of further alleged frontier incidents in which Finnish troops were "guilty of grave provocation."

The Moscow radio alleged that Finnish troops attempted to cross the Soviet border and that their artillery had again shelled Soviet territory.

The report referred to a clash in which three Finnish soldiers are alleged to have been killed and two taken prisoner.

Highly Critical Situation

It is now patently clear that the situation has become highly critical, and although the Finnish Foreign Office continues to make statements expressing the hope that a peaceful solution will be possible, there is little disposition elsewhere to view the position as other than extremely grave.

All day to-day Soviet planes in large numbers were flying along the Finnish frontier and they penetrated frequently many miles into Finnish territory.

They were not fired upon by Finnish A.A. guns because specific instructions had been given to all units in the frontier zone that on no account was any measure to be taken that could be exploited by the Soviet as provocation.

Finnish Cabinet Meets

A meeting of the Finnish Cabinet was called as soon as the Minister to Moscow had communicated the text of the Russian note.

Denunciation of the Non-Aggression Pact was received as a stunning blow, and together with the information of large concentrations of army mechanised units and air force in the Leningrad area, has left the Finnish people with few doubts as to the Russian intentions.

One of the first acts of the Cabinet was to issue instructions for the mobilisation of all of Finland's fighting forces, totalling some 600,000 men.

Alleged frontier incidents reported in Moscow are categorically denied in an official statement.

From Moscow, it is reported that instructions have been given to Red Army commanders on the Finnish frontier to answer "any further Finnish provocation."

Three Main Points

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (UP).—Moscow Radio today reviewed the exchange of notes between the Soviet and Finnish Governments and described the three main points of the latest Soviet note:

(1) The Finnish denial of the frontier incidents cannot be explained as anything other than an effort to mislead public opinion and "deride" the victims of the incidents.

(2) The Finnish refusal to withdraw her troops from the border is a "hostile act" and shows the Finnish desire to keep a "threat" hanging over Leningrad since the Soviet troops are hundreds of miles distant from Finnish centres, while Finnish troops are only 20 miles from Leningrad "permanently threatening the city."

It is therefore impossible to withdraw Soviet troops because it would create an "absurd situation."

(3) Finland, due to the foregoing acts, has performed a "hostile act" not in accord with the obligations of the non-aggression pact.

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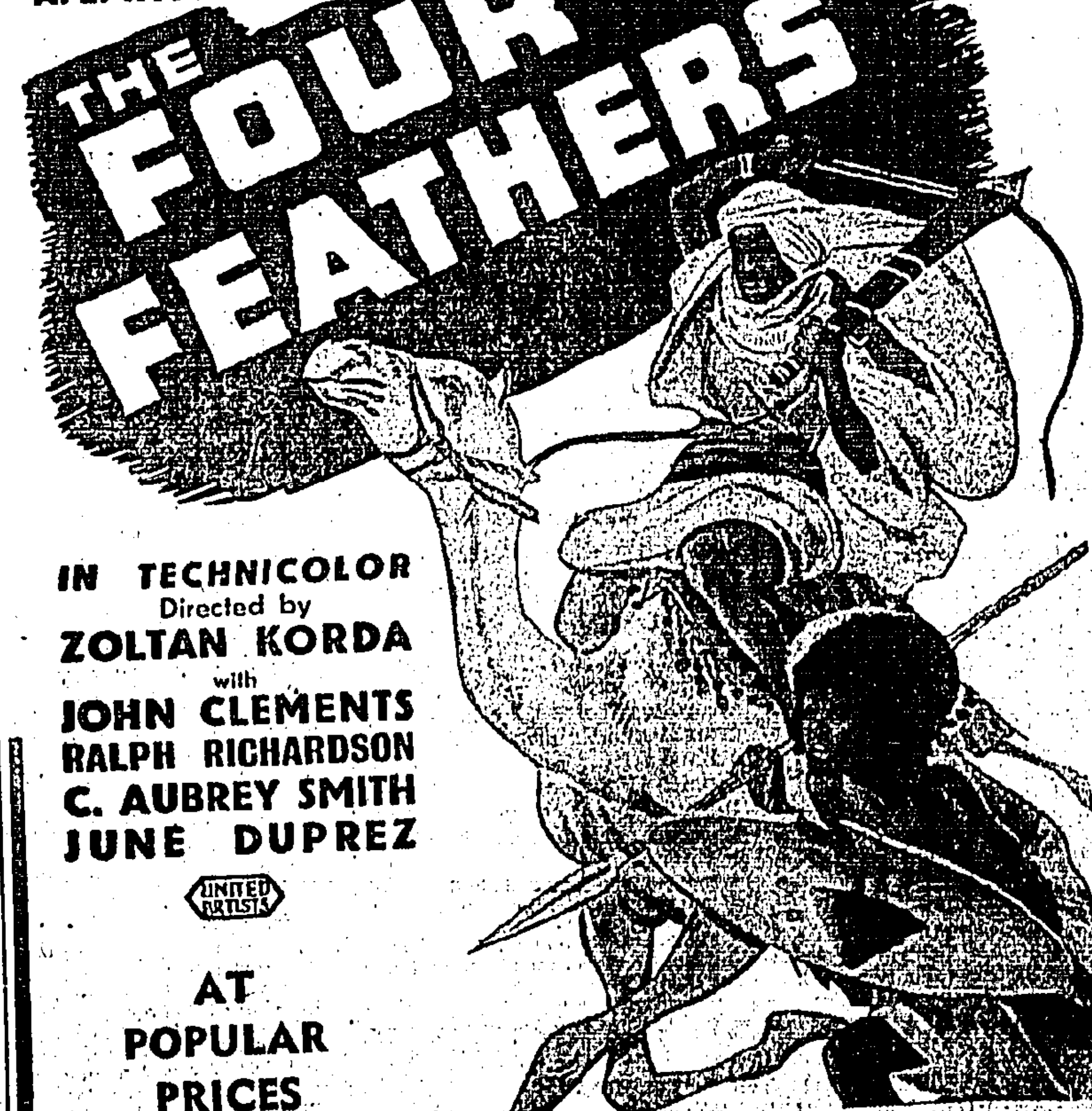
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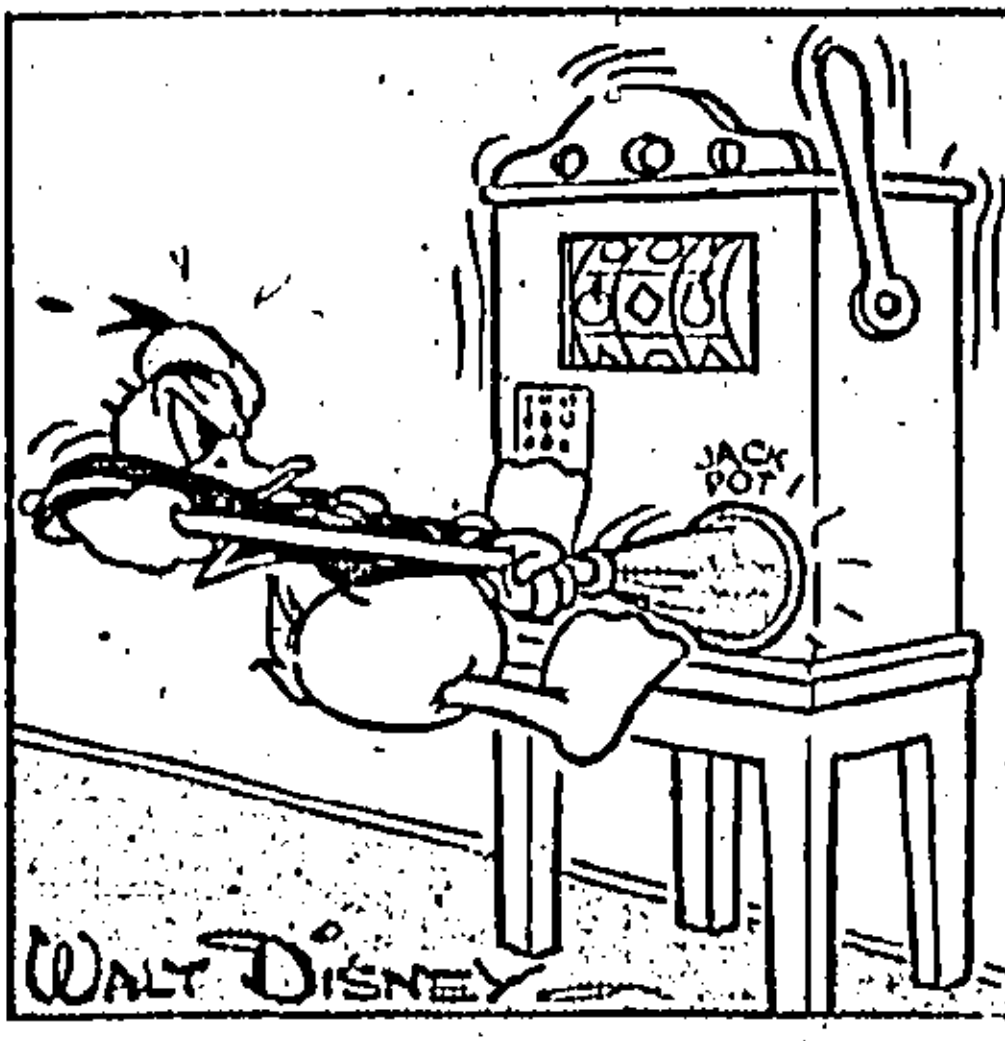
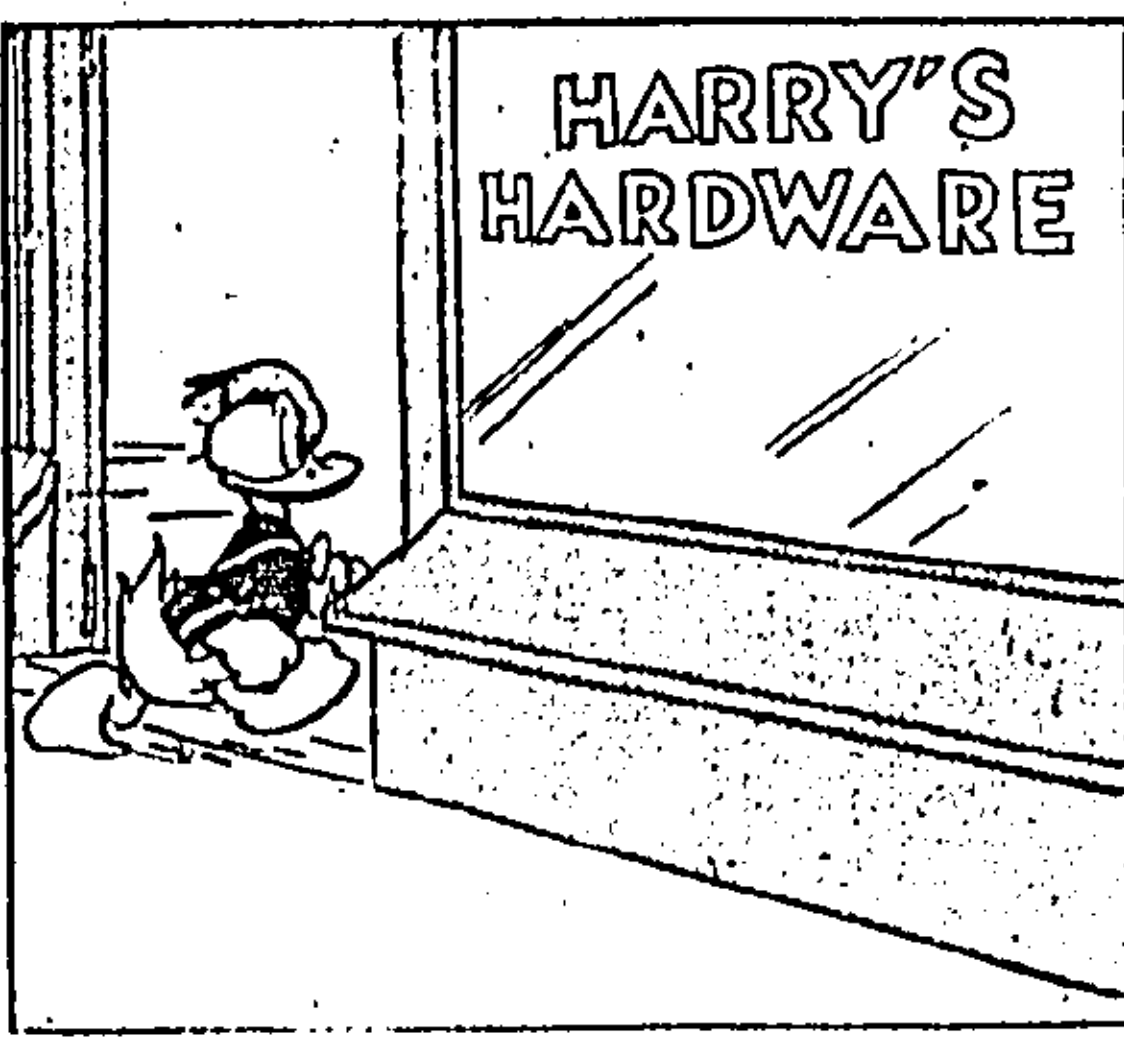
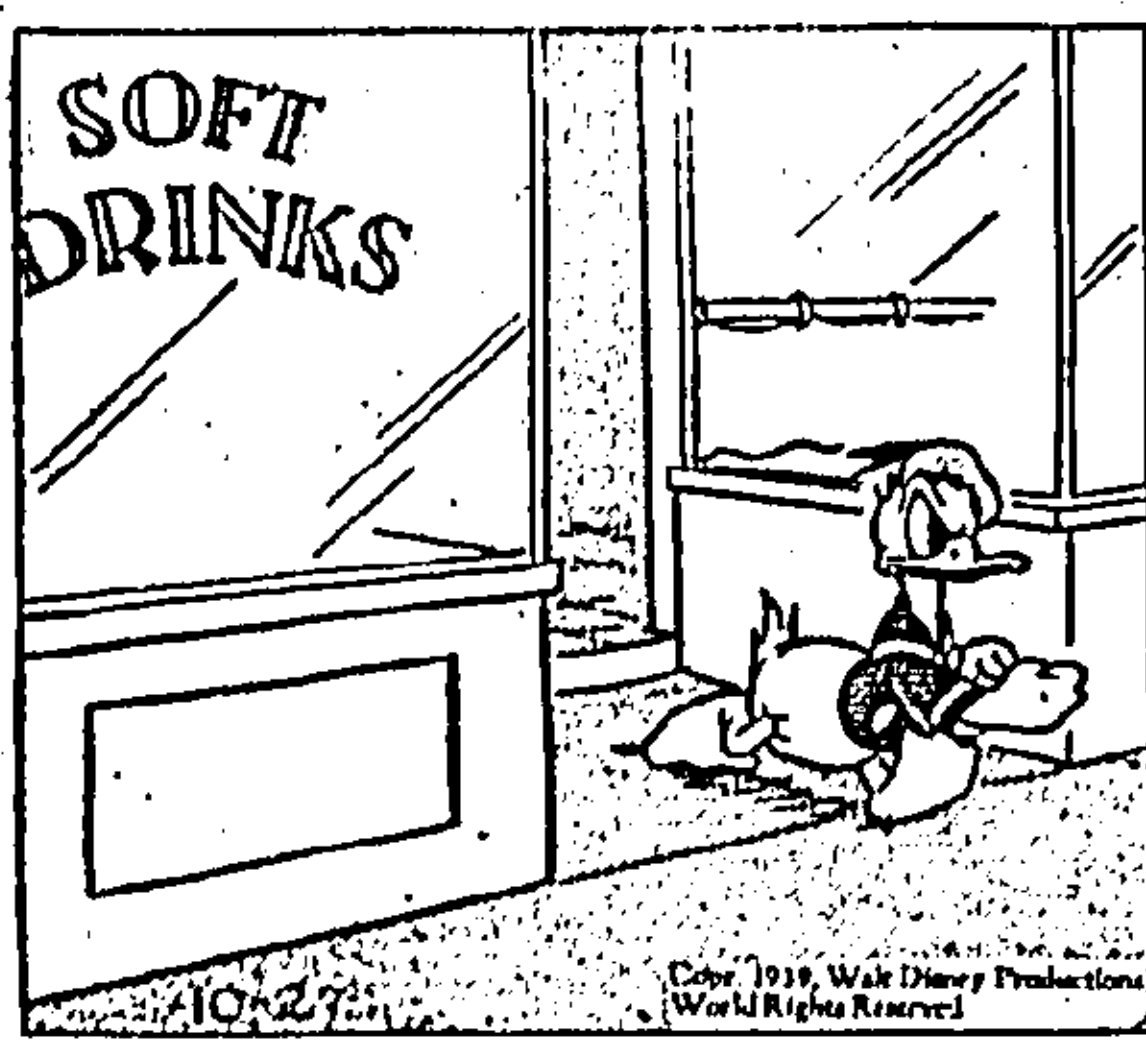
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BRITISH 10,000-TON CRUISER SUNK, CLAIMS GERMAN U-BOAT COMMANDER

LIEUT. GUENTHER PRIEN, the youthful Nazi U-Boat Commander who claims to have sunk the Royal Oak at Scapa Flow, has claimed another victim, which he describes as a 10,000-ton British cruiser of the London class. Naval circles in London do not confirm the claim. But a special commentary discloses that it is probably another German exaggeration.

German CLAIM

Prien's Victory Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—An official Nazi announcement claims that a U-boat has torpedoed a destroyer and a heavy British cruiser east of the Shetland Islands. Naval circles in London say they have absolutely no confirmation of the Berlin claims.

U-Boat Commander's Claim
BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—An official announcement here today claimed that a U-boat commanded by Lieutenant Guenther Prien, the young, long checked "hero of Scapa Flow," has sunk a 10,000-ton British cruiser of the London type—either the Shropshire, Sussex, Devonshire or London, all of which were completed in 1929 and which carry a normal complement of 650 men.

Carry Heavy Armament
The London type of cruisers carry eight 8-inch guns, eight 4-inch, twenty smaller guns, eight torpedo tubes and catapults for aircraft.

The ship in question was apparently north of the Scapa Flow base in the Orkneys when she was "sunk."

Nazi's Outstanding Hero

Lieutenant Prien is a vigorous, handsome 30 year old officer. So far he is Germany's outstanding naval hero. He has been personally decorated by Hitler, and Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, praised his skill and daring in the House of Commons report on the sinking of H.M.S. Royal Oak, in which 810 British seamen lost their lives.

It may be recalled that Lieutenant Prien was confident after the Scapa Flow raid that he had also destroyed a second unidentified warship.

"Nothing Is Known"
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—The Ministry of Information states that nothing whatever is known in London about the German story of the alleged sinking of a British cruiser.

Claims 700 Lives
BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—The German Admiralty claims that 700 lives were lost when the "British" cruiser was torpedoed.

Emphatic Denial
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Dome).—The British Admiralty early this morning issued an emphatic denial of the German claims that a 10,000-ton cruiser of the London type has been sunk by a German submarine.

The Admiralty also says that the German reports are without foundation.

RATIONING ON JANUARY 8

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—It is officially announced that the rationing scheme of bacon and butter will come into force on January 8.

The initial quantities will be four ounces each per person weekly. Consumers are asked to register with retailers for sugar and to restrict purchases to one pound weekly.

Netherlands Trade Mission Returns

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—Five members of the Netherlands trade mission returned home by air this morning.

German LIES

British Planes Raid Nazi Seaplane Base

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—Brief details of the raid by British aircraft on a German seaplane base on Borkum Island, at the entrance of the estuary of the River Ems, are given in an Air Ministry communiqué issued to-night.

The base is used as a striking-off point for German machines which have been active in the Shetlands, Firth of Forth and North Sea areas generally.

Machine Guns And Bombs
The British planes swooped low and machine-gunned three German seaplanes resting on the water and bombed the shore establishment.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire greeted the British craft but they pressed home their attack and returned safely without loss.

Other machines made a further successful reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany.

A German statement, admitting the British raid on Borkum Island, claims that the British machines were driven off by A.A. fire before they could drop any bombs.

Nazi Version

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Nov. 28 (UP).—It has been officially announced that Royal Air Force planes this afternoon raided Borkum aerodrome.

"They were driven off by machine-gun fire without dropping any bombs," the report claims.

It is also officially announced that the "attempted British air attack,"

on the north-west coast on Monday night was a failure. One raider was believed to have been forced down and lost in the North Sea.

(The London Air Ministry earlier announced a "successful" reconnaissance over north-west Germany last night).

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—

"We have every reason to believe that we hold and can continue to hold the submarine menace."

"There is every reason to believe that we shall eventually find means to deal with indiscriminate mine-laying," declared Lord Stanhope, Lord President of the Council, replying to the debate on the King's Address in the House of Lords.

FOREIGN PLANES OVER BRUSSELS

BRUSSELS, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—A. A. guns opened fire to-day on several foreign planes which appeared high over Brussels at noon.

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British Losses At Sea

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—A special commentary states that the gross exaggeration of German broadcasts regarding the recent losses of British merchant shipping is revealed in the figures now published by the Admiralty.

These figures show that losses for the week ending at midnight on November 25 totalled 11 ships with a tonnage of 25,787.

The total losses since the beginning of the war up to the same date are British: 78 vessels, 285,69 tons; French: ten vessels, 51,150 tons; and neutral: 43 vessels, 144,592 tons.

Comparison With 1917

These figures make interesting comparison with April, 1917, in which month alone 190 British vessels with a total tonnage of 522,000 and 430 vessels in all, of a total tonnage of 852,000, were sunk.

It is also pointed out in London that the recent tendency of U-boat commanders has been to attack unprotected fishing trawlers in areas where immediate counter-action against submarine forces is not expected.

Although only four neutral ships were lost as the result of German action during the past week, neutral tonnage sunk was almost as great as British due to the sinking of large vessels, such as the Terakuni Maru, Grania and Sledrecht.

News of the sinking of the Sledrecht was received only last week.

WANTED: MORE OFFICERS

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should render a good account of itself.

The German military problem is how many divisions she dare send to Poland in order to try and get a quick result and how few she can afford to leave holding the Siegfried Line against France and ourselves and provide a central reserve as well. Incidentally the French problem of watching her Alpine and Pyrenees frontiers has been considerably lightened by the recent course of events.

Finally, it is worth remembering that all wars now are wars of petrol and oil, which is for Germany a great difficulty. She has not got the petrol for a long war unless she succeeds in obtaining access to the Rumanian petrol supply or Soviet Russia is prepared to supply her extensive needs. Even if she were to obtain the whole of the output of the Rumanian oilfields, it would be insufficient for her needs.

\$5,000 CHRISTMAS GIFT TO KIDDIES

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—Mr. Herbert Morrison announced that the London County Council has decided to give \$5,000 towards a fund to give children in the reception areas a good time during Christmas.

In asking Londoners to contribute, the L. C. C. points out that if the children return to London, they will be coming back into the danger area and the evacuation scheme will be

FRENCH CAPTURE TWO NAZI MERCHANT SHIPS

PARIS, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—The capture of two German merchant vessels by the French Navy is announced in an official communiqué.

One of the vessels was of 6,000 tons and the other of 4,500 tons.

They had apparently left a Spanish port, in which they had sought refuge at the outbreak of war, in a desperate attempt to steal through the blockade.

SIX U-BOATS SUNK

PARIS, Nov. 28 (UP).—French despatches say that French naval patrols, during the past ten days, have sunk at least 6 German submarines. No details are given.

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This morning after a short illness, Carlos Nolasco da Silva, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. N. da Silva, age 22. Funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon leaving his parents' residence, No. 7 Garden Road at 4.45 p.m. and passing the Monument at 5.15 p.m.

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OFFERED a choice of how to die, most men would wish, as the noblest end, to give their lives in the protection of their country and all that it stands for.

That was the destiny of over 250 of the crew of H.M.S. Rawalpindi, the converted merchantman, no well-known in Hongkong, that was destroyed earlier this week in an unequal encounter with the third mightiest warship in the Nazi Fleet.

To find a parallel for the heroism of the men—they included Mercantile Marine men many of whom were probably well-known in Hongkong, since it is probable that the Rawalpindi retained her old crew when she was taken over by the Admiralty—you must search back in history to the days of the last war. Britain has far too long an experience of naval warfare to suppose that, however strong the British Fleet, it can sweep an enemy from the seas without injury. In the Deutschland and Admiral Scheer type of enemy we have two opponents worthy of our steel and neither ship will fall to the guns of a cruiser unless skill and, to a certain extent, luck is added to the encounter. The armaments of the so-called "pocket battleships" are superior to those aboard cruisers and it will need one of the heavier type British warships to deal adequately with these marauders.

Many Hongkong people who have travelled Home on leave aboard the "Pindi", as she was affectionately called by her passengers and crew, will regret the loss of this fine liner of the



THE CLIENT: "But have you no information for me about a tall, dark man?"

What happens to the PRIZES OF WAR

by George Edinger

AT the western end of the Law Courts, in a courtroom usually devoted to the hearing of Divorce Cases, Britain's 700-year-old Prize Court sits again. Sir Boyd Merriam, President of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division, tries the issues. If they are technical or complex, he may be assisted by assessors from Trinity House. But they are generally simple enough.

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Prize money, in fact, was more than any other, the bait that lured recruits into the eighteenth century Navy. But when the World War broke out in 1914, that old, romantic, but unjust, system was ended.

In order that men whose duties kept them with the Grand Fleet

P. & O. fleet. Her loss, however, is of less importance than the loss of the gallant men who served in her. "The price of admiralty is heavy." Those who pay it for us now, when admiralty means the safety, honour and welfare not only of our Commonwealth of Nations, but of freedom throughout the world, have laid on us the duty to be worthy of their sacrifice.

should have the same chance to secure prize money as those aboard cruisers along the "highways of enemy commerce, all proceeds from the sale of cargoes taken at sea were turned over to a common fund for the benefit of the officers and men of the Royal Navy as a whole.

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THE distribution was carefully worked out by the Director of Navy Accounts. And there were still rich prizes to distribute. The total value of those taken in the last war was £6,035,000.

The average A.B.'s share worked out at £20 a head. But 10,000 of them never even bothered to claim their portion at the end of it.

Obviously, much of the zest and glamour of old has evaporated since the prizes were taken from the actual captors. And yet there are still cases where the captor retains his ancient rights. They are called cases of Prize Bounty.

Prize Bounty was first devised by Oliver Cromwell to meet the complaint that, while sailors who took a merchantman received the proceeds of her cargo, those who captured a warship got no prize money at all. Originally it was distributed among crews who took or sunk an armed enemy ship, at the rate of £20 for every gun on an admiral's ship, £10 per gun on a vice-admiral's, and £10 per gun on all others. Now it is £5 for

every person aboard the sunk or captured vessel.

The record sum won in prize bounty was the £31,000 awarded to the officers and crew of submarine E.14. They sank a Turkish troopship in the Sea of Marmora in May, 1915.

That was a test case, for the Law says that prize bounty can be distributed only for the sinking of an armed ship, and this transport, it was argued, was not an armed ship.

However, there was a battery of Krupp guns mounted astern, and as the Court eventually held that the arms need not be attached to the ship the prize bounty was finally paid out.

But there is neither prize money nor Prize Bounty for ships taken in harbour, in the way that several German merchantmen were taken at the beginning of this war.

In the 12th Century, when the Lord High Admiral's Court was first evolved, to handle prizes, the Common Law of England laid down that while prizes taken at sea were the King's property, those captured in harbour were a perquisite of the Lord High Admiral.

There has not been a Lord High Admiral for a hundred years. His perquisites have devolved on the Admiralty, which, being a Government department, now devotes their proceeds to the relief of taxation by paying them into the Consolidated Fund.

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IT may seem irrational that ancient precedent should make such difference.

But ancient precedent has governed Prize Court procedure all through its history.

During those years the same as it was in the days when Drake and Blake and Nelson stood up to give their evidence before its judges: a tribunal of immense authority extending over all the seven seas, whose skill and fairness have been admitted by twenty generations, neutrals and enemies.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I wish you'd stuff a shirt in Junior's mouth—I'm trying to listen to this programme on child psychology!"

Nazi Plaint—

Wanted: More Officers

WHAT is the calibre of the new German army? What is the effect of the changes that have been carried out in it since 1918?

Like everything else in a totalitarian State, publication of strength or of material is very rare, and it is difficult to estimate numbers. In November, 1939, however, the Germans published some significant figures, namely, the number of divisions and higher formations, that already existed in time of peace. There were then six Army Groups, 18 Army Corps, 39 divisions, four light divisions, five tank divisions, three mountain divisions and a cavalry Brigade.

The total of 51 peace-time divisions may very well have advanced this year to 60 or more, and it is quite possible that it could be 120 divisions at war strength.

Contrast With France

Measures of mobilisation have for some time been in force and classes that had not served a full period of two years have received special instruction. The difficulty, however, remains that only three of those dispersing in 1937, 1938, 1939 are available as trained reserves, though most of the other classes have been trained from time to time for short periods.

Germany has not therefore available that solid block of 5,000,000 soldiers that the French possess, who have all done their complete periods of service in the ranks.

The officer situation is also a great difficulty. Field-Marshal von Blomberg, the former Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, and his generals at the time that the new army was formed had a great tussle with the party leaders as to the material from which the new officers were to come. The Nazi leaders wanted them to be party men, whereas the generals insisted on looking to the old class of officers for future supply.

The generals won, but it really meant that for a number of years they would lack a solid "middle piece" for their regimental officers, as all the senior ones were having very quick promotion. When I attended the manoeuvres in 1936 and 1937 the only officers in the units of any seniority were the units of the reserve. They were mostly 2nd Lieutenants and not more than one of them per company or battery.

This lack of experienced officers will be one of Germany's great handicaps in war.

Disposing Her Resources

Let us turn now to the possibility of the dispositions of Germany's 120 or 130 divisions. In September last Germany disposed 32 divisions to deal with Czechoslovakia, only nine divisions on the Franco-Belgian front and the rest in reserve or in East Prussia. She assumed that France and Britain were not going to fight and relied on nine divisions and her fortress troops to hold the Siegfried Line.

On this occasion the situation is radically different. On her eastern front she has the country which she desires to crush as soon as she can. But the Poles are no mean adversaries. They have a population of 30,000,000 and 30 peace-time divisions. Their moral is excellent and they will fight to the very end.

All recent fighting with the machine-gun arm, increased as this has been, goes to show that the greater power lies with the defence and the Poles should be able to take full advantage of it. Their Army

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WESTERN FRONT

Moselle In The Grip Of Winter

By RALPH HEINZEN
("UNITED PRESS" CORRESPONDENT)

WITH FRENCH ARMIES IN FIELD, Nov. 28 (UP).—Three armies totalling nearly 10,000,000 fighting men are engaged in preparing winter quarters to-day, as cold rains sweep the terrain from the sea to Switzerland. Winter seems to be bringing to a definite end any possibility of an offensive before early next year.

Possibility of a winter campaign has faded as the continuous rains widen swampy fields, flood both large and small rivers, and thus establish water obstacles which no modern mechanized armies could pass. There is not a single sign across the line that Adolf Hitler will give the order for an early attack. Reports which filter through the lines, as in all wars, emphasize a lack of agreement between Hitler and many of his military advisers over the advisability of winter operations and an invasion of neutral states.

Everything Ready

So complete are the German preparations, however, that there is always the possibility of a swift and powerful attack. The German High Command has assembled in and just behind the Siegfried Line everything it needs for an attack.

Contact between the enemy forces were long ago established in "no man's land," and there is always the possibility that if Hitler can reach an agreement with his advisers on methods to be used, the German General Staff will proceed any day with an offensive action, without an intermediate period of intense activity.

No-Man's Land

"No man's land" averages from one-half to one mile in width. It is not populated in the daytime, but at night—even when storms rage—it teems with activity as rival patrols, by feeling out the enemy's positions, try to keep the few in command of the area from being cut off from the rest of the line.

In many places there are abandoned villages in the middle of "no man's land." They are visited regularly each night by patrols endeavoring to take them. Often rival patrols meet in these abandoned villages. Arms automatically go into action and shots are exchanged.

Communications of these encounters are "scattered action" and that, so far, has been the extent of action seen on the front.

Behind The Lines

Behind the lines on the French and British side of the western front, however, is a different picture. Every hour of daylight is used to improve defences. These are especially adapted to the geographical features of the terrain, but they also form a part of the gigantic plan of border defences worked out long ago by the general staff.

The first phase of operations, lasting two months, consisted of digging protective trenches and tank traps—generally wide ditches with sloping approaches on the far side, and an abrupt wall on the defensive side by the planting of mines and creating wide barriers by chopping down trees over corridors a hundred feet wide. Tanks trying to pass that barrier would crash through branches or its caterpillar treads would become hopelessly entangled.

Anti-Aircraft Defences

In this phase of preparations, a wide zone of anti-aircraft defences is also being prepared. The high ground around every village has been planted with machine-guns capable of firing at any air, even directly overhead.

Nine out of every ten allied soldiers sleep under a roof, command with five of every ten in the German armies across the line. This difference is due to construction of the Maginot Line, which provides great underground barracks where the fortress garrisons sleep to warm dry beds.

The Siegfried Line, to the contrary, consists only of thousands of small concrete pill boxes, each capable of holding only one or two men and their gun. There is not a single fortress in the German line comparable with those in the Maginot Line.

Now Seasoned Campaigners

French troops holding positions in the front between and behind the Maginot Line sleep in villages and on farms. The only French troops to sleep in the open are those holding advance listening-posts and machine-gun nests. They are relieved regularly.

Troops who three months ago were civilian reservists working in offices, factories and on farms have already become seasoned campaigners. There

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ALLEGED RAPE

Late Juror Holds Up Case

Cross-Examination Continues

Owing to the late arrival of Mr. A. A. Wan a Juror, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell's Court at the Criminal Sessions to-day began at 10.25 a.m. instead of 10 a.m.

Accused in the case before Mr. Justice Lindell was Constable Ajit Singh and he was charged with having raped a married woman refugee, Tang Yee, at Fanling Lodge on October 3, after enticing her there on the pretext that he would give her clothes to wash.

Mr. Percival Chen, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ and Mr. T. J. Gould, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

Members of the Jury were Messrs. A. Valera (Foreman), Chan Kwok-on, F. P. Pereira, Ching Sik-wing, Poon Koi-yeung, A. A. Wan and Wong Khei-leung.

Juror's Excuse

Dealing with the late juror, His Lordship asked him if he had any explanation to give for keeping his fellow jurors and the Court waiting for almost half an hour.

Mr. Wan said that yesterday he had become confused about the time to which the case had been adjourned, and had gone to Mr. Chen's office where a girl showed him a note book with the time "2.30 p.m." on it. From this, Mr. Wan said, he really thought the case was to begin at that time to-day.

Mr. Chen said he knew nothing about this, having been in Court the whole of yesterday. He himself had asked his instructing solicitor when the case was to resume at 10 a.m., or 2.30 p.m., and eventually it was confirmed to be 10 a.m.

His Lordship pointed out that no other members of the Jury seemed to have been in doubt as to the time. After His Lordship had said he would deal with Mr. Wan later, Mr. Chen said perhaps the time of 2.30 p.m. mentioned by Mr. Wan was in his diary, but it might be a reference to another case.

To His Lordship, Mr. Chen said he would verify what Mr. Wan had said.

EASTERN FRONT

Big Battles In Kwangsi Expected

Fighting in the south is likely to be intensified shortly inasmuch as it is reported that most of the Japanese forces around Shanghai have been despatched to Kwangsi.

Only small naval landing parties are now stationed in Woosung, Paoshan, Kiangwan, Hongkew and Nantao, according to a Shanghai report.

The Woosung Forts, the Japanese Headquarters at Hongkew, the warehouse of the Bank of Communications and the Central Mint are now guarded by "Ta Tao" police.

Referring to the hostilities in Kwangsi, a Chinese military spokesman in Chungking yesterday declared that Nanning was evacuated by the Chinese on Sunday morning after three days of heavy fighting in the outskirts.

The spokesman stated that while striking back heavily, the Chinese are inducing the Japanese troops to fall into a long corridor between mountain ranges.

Japanese Retreat Cut

He claims that the Japanese rear has been cut. A "Central News" message from Kweilin this morning stated that fighting is raging in the hilly regions north-east of Nanning on the north bank of the Wukiang River.

According to a report from the front, several assaults made by the Japanese yesterday were repulsed. In another point on the Southern front, confusion reigned in Kowkong, 25 miles south-west of Canton, yesterday morning when Chinese troops broke into the town in a surprise attack.

The Japanese barracks and ammunition depot were set on fire.

The Chinese launched another attack on Sunwul on Sunday. After routing the Japanese in the outskirts, they smashed into the city and wrecked the Japanese

military headquarters and government offices. Bridges on the Kowmoon-Sunwul highway were destroyed.

IN THE NORTH

No Easy Time For The Japanese. According to "Central News" messages received from the North to-day, the Japanese troops on the northern fronts are not having too easy a time.

From Kihwa, it is reported that relentless Chinese counter-assaults have frustrated the Japanese "mopping up" campaign in Northern Chekiang.

The Japanese between Hangchow, Kashing and Huhing have been forced to fall back to their original positions after sustaining heavy losses.

Several important villages and towns north of Fengcheng, in South Shansi, have been recovered by Chinese forces, which are now reported to be attacking Chinganchen nearby.

Fighting is stated to be taking place at Antsch, east of Hungtung, where the Chinese are developing an enveloping attack.

In Sian a Japanese force pushing from Hanchow in West Shantung towards Tungling was intercepted by the Chinese at Wulpaio.

Following close-quarter fighting, the Japanese were driven back.

IN THE AIR

Mass Night Raids By The Japanese

Mass night raids were conducted by Japanese aircraft over Honan, Shensi and Kansu on Monday night. The alarm was sounded in many places in the three provinces, including Loyang, Sian and Lanchow, around 7 p.m. and the "All Clear" was not given until early yesterday morning.

No details of the bombings were revealed in the "Central News" messages received. The reports merely state that about 60 machines, flying from south Shansi, took part in the attacks.

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Around The Courses

WINDY WEATHER AT SHEUNGSHIU

Penalty Strokes For Hitting Flag From Within Twenty Yards

(By "Birdie")

A MORE DIFFICULT WIND for golf than that of Sunday can hardly be imagined. I do not know quite how bad it was at Fanling, where there is a certain amount of shelter from the trees, but the brawny Scotsmen seemed to have weathered it in fine style—judging by the result of the annual Societies match.

At Sheungshiu, on the open Country Club course, it swept unimpeded right across the line of holes, and made it a most unfortunate day for the playing of the first round of the Ladies Cup competition. Scores reached colossal proportions, but I will not mention them.

Worst of all, it was impossible to keep the sand on the greens. The wind swept them bare, and left only the clay upon which to putt. The rain, however, had made them soft, and when one was canny enough to make wind allowances, approach shots stayed there.

In fact after playing them, it seems indicated that until grass greens are forthcoming, the Club has a solution to its greatest problem; namely, how to deal with the greens when they harden. And that is keep them well watered and thus soften them.

There was, however, only one surprise result, and that was the elimination of Miss Molly Churn by Miss L. G. Abiong.

The results were:
Mrs. Leo D'Almeida beat Miss L. Heung 4 and 3.

Miss A. Scudera beat Miss A. Williams 6 and 4.

Miss L. G. Abiong beat Miss M. C. Churn 6 and 4.

Mrs. A. J. Kew received a walk-over from Mrs. F. E. A. Remedios.

The first two named winners, therefore, will meet in the semi-final on Sunday next, as will Miss Abiong and Mrs. Kew.

HITTING the flag has twice occurred during rounds of the past two weeks. From the edge of the green, on the first occasion, the player's chip shot rolled gently up to the hole, tapped the flag and rebounded about three inches. Neither he nor the caddy anticipated such and neglected the precaution of removing the flag when within twenty yards of it. The result was that instead of having a birdie 3, the ball went down in 6! The extra putt and the two strokes penalty. This, too, was in the Captain's Cup qualifying round.

The second occasion was on Sunday last. The flag had been blown

Keeping Watch On Golf Amateurs

The United States Golf Association is keeping a watchful eye for violators of the amateur code. Each entrant in the 1939 amateur championship was asked to name his employer, the nature of his employer's business and the nature of his own business.

Diels, Chairman, one of the contestants, worked as a blues singer. In the early days of the championship such a regulation would have brought out the fact that many of the contestants were rich men's sons.

Rugby

Royal Engineers Beat Scratch Navy Side

In a rather ragged rugby game yesterday, Engineers defeated Navy team 21 points (three goals and two tries) to three (a try) at Sookunpo.

White and Pickett scored twice for the Sappers, Birrell once and Pike converted three tries. Thorburn scored the Navy's only try.

Teams were:
Engineers—Lt. Otway, L/Cpl. Birrell, L/Cpl. Pickett, Spr. Martin, Spr. Arington, Spr. White, L/Cpl. Foley, Spr. Luvy, Spr. Cunningham, Spr. Farquharson, Lt. Cuthbertson, L/Cpl. Sheldrake, Spr. Pike, L/Cpl. Appleby, Spr. Jones.
Navy—Wtl. Snell, Surg. Lt. Corcoran, S. B. A. Addie, L. W. Barlow, Mne. J. A. G. Gallagher, Tel. Faulkner, Paynter, Lt. Charles, L. Tel. Ryan, S. D. A. Davies, L. Sig. Thorburn, L. Sig. Inglis, A. M. Foster, L. W. Ferris.

down by the wind and was lying at right angles to the approach. From 50 yards, or thereabouts, the ball ran up to the flag—a yard wide of the hole—and struck it, and instead of carrying on for another three or four feet, stopped dead, and left the player in a position from whence he required only one putt. I have failed to find anything in the Rules which implies a penalty for this, and have since wondered what would have been the case had the flag been lying at an angle sufficient to deflect the ball into the hole.

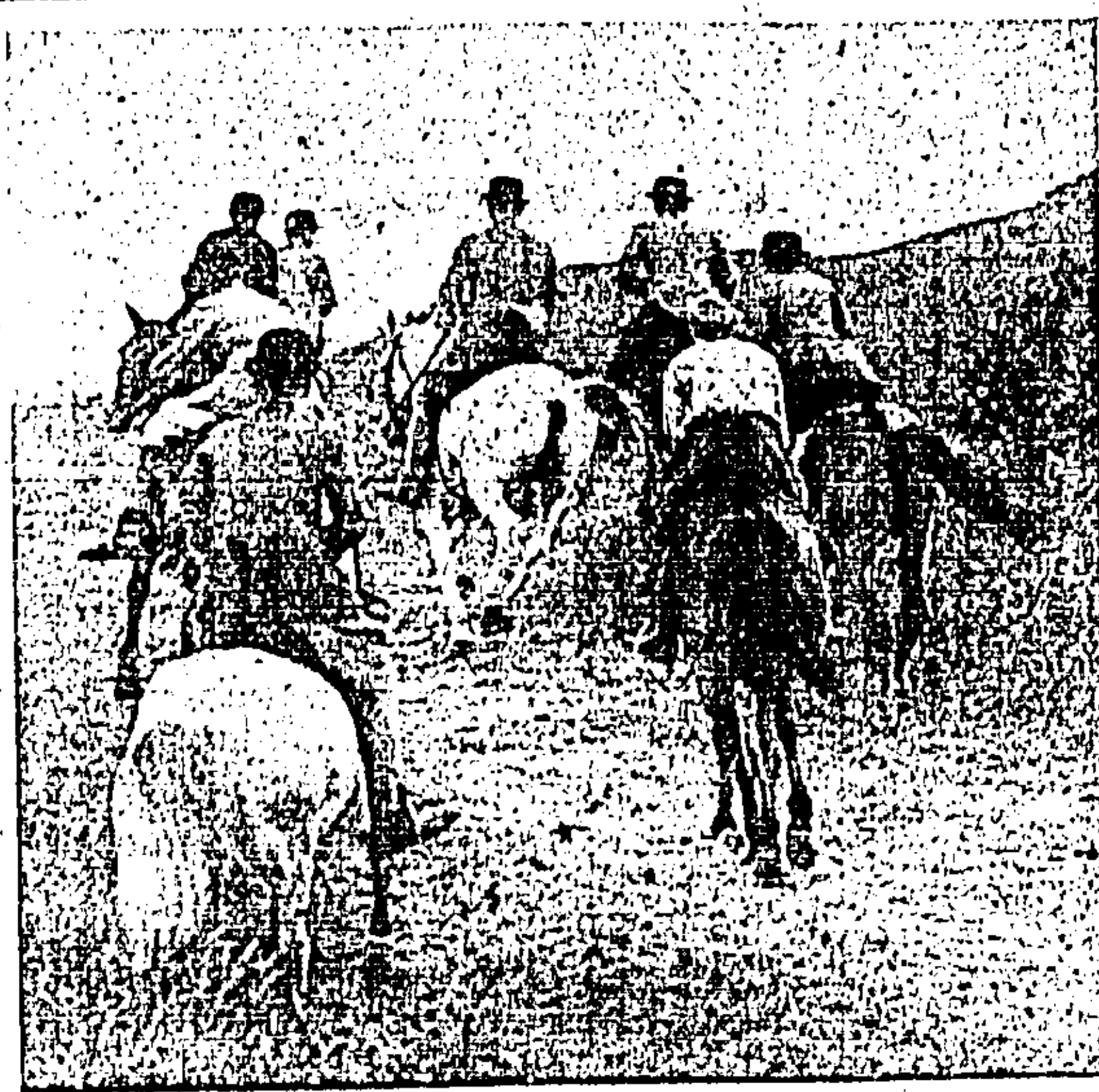
The difference of these two cases seems to emphasize the unfairness of the Rules re-playing within twenty yards of the flag. It is hardly likely that from within twenty yards a player is going to hit his ball with strength sufficient to make it travel a great distance past the flag. If it were so one could more readily understand the two strokes penalty, but the odds very definitely are that the ball would not run over the green. By hitting the flag, therefore, and stopping a player has only gained the return approach putt.

Two strokes penalty seems a little hard. In the first of the two incidents cited, instead of having a birdie three, the player was penalised three strokes, for there was no doubt but that the ball would have dropped into the hole. In the second case, from 50 yards, the approach was stopped and the player gained a stroke. It would have been the same had the flag been standing upright.

I'm not saying that it was not the first player's fault for not removing the flag (knowing the Rules)—I am merely pointing out what to me seems unjust about the Rule.

SUNDAY last was the closing date for entries for the Country Club Junior Championship. There were only thirteen names down, which number makes it unnecessary to play the qualifying round which was scheduled for the coming week-end. The first round proper will be played on December 17.

C. Suen (23) and S. V. Gittins (72) qualified for the Captain's Cup competition over the past week-end.



Following the hounds over the Fanling countryside on Sunday during the Fanling Hunt—Ming Yuen.

Huge Fee For Dempsey To Referee Garcia-Lee Bout In Manila

TO THE FAR EAST, the Ceferino Garcia-Glen Lee battle at Rizal Stadium, December 16, which will be refereed by the great Manassah Mauler, Jack Dempsey in person, is unquestionably the Battle of the Century.

The only thing which can be said to approach it even distantly, states the Manila Bulletin is the scrap between Pancho Villa and Clever Sencio, both now in the Valhalla reserved for the ring's foremost warriors. That was back in 1924, in Manila.

But there was no Dempsey to referee that fight. At that time, Jack Dempsey was heavyweight champion of the world. He was getting huge sums for merely endorsing medicines, or tonics, or hair-oil—in fact, his manager, Jack Kearns, received the enormous price of \$200,000 just to endorse Nuxated Iron, a patent remedy.

LARGEST FEE IN HISTORY

JACK Dempsey is receiving the largest fee in the history of boxing, to referee the Garcia-Lee fight—\$15,000, with approximately \$4,000 for transportation, in addition.

The fact that Manila is paying the greatest advertisement the Philippines have received, in American papers, in many years. Every paper in the United States carried the story—many with headlines stretching across eight columns.

It recalls the recollection that Frank A. Churchill, one of the greatest figures in boxing history once wanted to bring Benny Leonard and Johnny Kilbane to the Philippines, to box that amazing wonderboy of the ring, Dencio Cabanaba. When Churchill cabled his offer to Leonard and Kilbane, the former then lightweight, the latter featherweight champion, they laughed uproariously—then both went to the library to learn where the Philippine Islands were located.

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Girl Basketball Tourists Return

The Hongkong Girls' basketball team which left for Manila about a month ago returned yesterday after a successful tour, during which they won five matches, lost four and drew one.

Hockey

R. Engineers Win Again In Assn. Tourney

THROUGH A GOAL scored in the second half by Hornburg, Royal Engineers won their Hockey Association tournament match against R.A.O.C. 1-0 at Sookunpo yesterday.

The defenders of both teams played well and stayed off many quick attacks. The Engineers' forwards were slightly quicker than Ordnance and also showed more ball control and accurate shooting.

Play in the first half was fairly even, and the second period saw both teams opening vigorously. Hornburg broke through the defence and netted a high shot to give Royal Engineers the only goal of the game.

Both the R.A.O.C. forwards and defenders played hard but the former lost several attacking opportunities which spoiled chances to score.

The two goalkeepers, Dobson for R.E. and Osmond for R.A.O.C., distinguished themselves by good play. Russell, Goodwin, Bowling and Marriott proved formidable defenders for the winners. Stone and Lock were prominent amongst the hard-workers of R.A.O.C.

Island Eleven To Meet Mainland

The following have been selected to represent the Island in a charity hockey match against the Mainland on December 10:

Mrs. Lunson (H.K. Ladies); Miss E. M. Gray (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Strange (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Stone (H.K. Ladies); Miss K. M. Peacock (H.K. Ladies); and Miss B. Greaver (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Burnett (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Gardner (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Skinner (H.K. Ladies); Mrs. Dietel (H.K. Ladies); and Miss A. Purves (H.K. Ladies).

Cricket

'HAT TRICK' FOR SGT. DENYER

Fortress R. Engineers Defeat R.A.O.C.

OUTSTANDING BOWLING by Sgt. Denyer, of Fortress Coy., Royal Engineers, who performed the "hat trick," featured the cricket match played between Royal Engineers and R.A.O.C., at Sookunpo yesterday. The Engineers won by 61. Denyer took four wickets for one run in two overs.

Engineers—110 (Spr. Ratcliffe 45, Capt. Freeman 33, S. M. Green 22, not out; F. B. B. 1-20).
R.A.O.C.—49 (Sgt. Emberson 15, S/Sgt. Gardner 10; Denyer 4-1, Cpl. Parsons 4-10).

Week-End Teams

The following cricket teams will represent the Craighower C.C. and the Hongkong Volunteers for matches over the week-ends:

Craighower C.C.

The following will represent Craighower against Rereolo on Saturday:
Firris (away)—E. Zimmer (Capt.), P. J. Bulmer, A. T. H. Farnall, A. B. Hamilton, A. J. Hulse, A. K. Imall, E. A. Lee, H. P. Lim, W. Hong Sung, G. W. H. Young, W. Broadbridge, Umpire, G. Ladd.

Seconds (home)—J. R. Franco (Capt.), N. Broadbridge, A. H. Farnall, U. H. Farnall, A. Hung, C. W. Lam, G. A. Lee, G. W. Leonard, T. Lock, A. M. Omar, W. K. Way, Scorer, H. W. Randall.

Volunteers XI

The following will represent the Volunteers against the Civil Service C.C. on Sunday next at 11.30 a.m.:
R. M. M. King, D. J. N. Anderson, L. C. Baker, D. de S. Carey, S. J. Cooke, D. G. Day, E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, E. M. L. Soares, A. Zimmer and F. H. Zimmer.

Lawn Bowls

Northumberland And Durham Assn. Rinks

The following rinks will represent the Northumberland and Durham Association in their annual lawn bowls match against the Yorkshireman's Society at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday, December 2 at 2.30 p.m.:

E. Purvis, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, T. E. Robson and J. Fraser, J. Hempsey, C. Turpin, G. Henderson and V. Ramsey, C. Gowland, Dean Wilson, S. Hodge and T. A. Carr.

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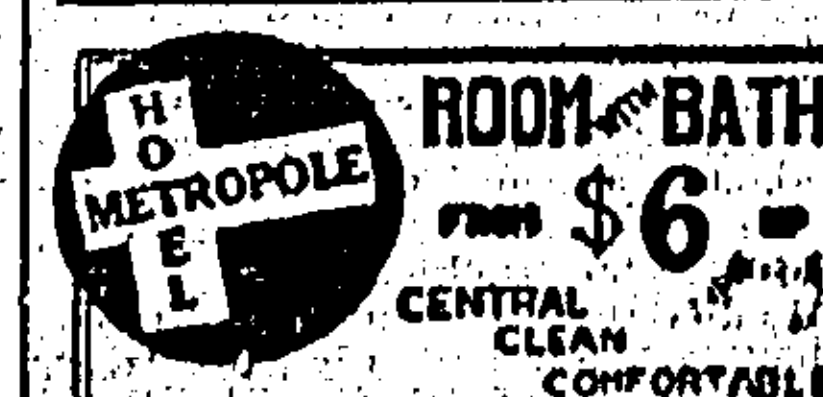


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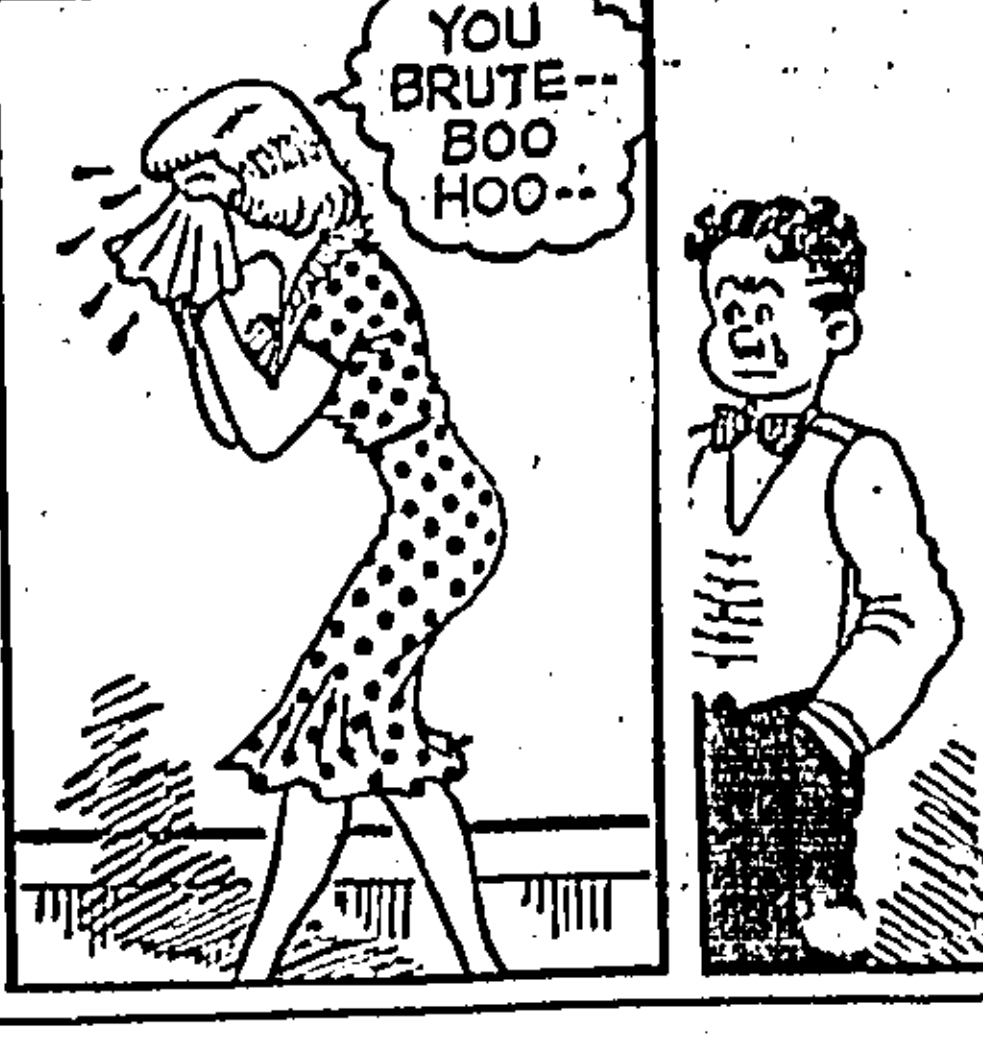
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Dutch Gold For U.S.

\$2,000,000 Worth Reaches N. York

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Rotterdam Lloyd Steamer Kotapenang docked here to-day with \$2,000,000 worth of gold from the Dutch East Indies consigned to the Federal Reserve Bank.

U.S. Gold Imports WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Department of Commerce reports that gold imports for the week ending November 22 were valued at \$12,806,803, and exports were valued at \$5,337, compared with \$29,700,466 and \$3,155 respectively during the preceding week.

Nazi Morale Weakens

Internal Wranglings Help Allies

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Speaking before the Chelsea Conservative Association, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Lord Privy Seal, said that in the early days of the war the Nazi Government felt that the agreement with the Soviet gave them the balance of power.

This had not been the case and as a result there had been endless discussions at the Nazi Supreme Headquarters, rumours of wrangling, outbreaks in Czechoslovakia and Austria, and misgivings in Germany itself.

It could not definitely be said that German morale was likely to break, but the past twelve weeks had left Hitler weaker and enabled the Allies to strengthen their position.

Premier Tributes Men Who Fought Nazi Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—Mr. Chamberlain said in the House of Commons to-day the Allies did not enter the war with any vindictive purposes, and they do not intend to impose a vindictive peace.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "None of us know how long the war will last, what direction it will develop, or who, when it is ended, will be standing on our side or will be against us. Hence, we are unable at present to outline the conditions under which a new world will be created."

Reprisals To Start

The Premier announced that the seizure of German exports will become effective next Monday.

"We intend to do our best to cause the least possible inconvenience to neutrals with whom we have no quarrel," he said.

He paid tribute to the crew of the Rawalpindi for carrying out the great traditions of the Royal Navy.

"No one could read the account of the heroic action of those naval reservists and naval pensioners without deep emotion. They had no thought of surrender. They fought with their guns until they could fight no more, then many went down," he said.

Premier's Ovation

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain was loudly cheered on rising to-day in the House of Commons to make an address.

His first dealt with Parliamentary process regarding the foreshadowed establishment of a Select Committee on national expenditure, and said that in the present circumstances, deliberation will be confined to matters necessary for the effective prosecution of the war.

The war, as now being conducted, had been described as a siege war, and as far as land operations were concerned, that was an appropriate term.

Heroic Action

But on the sea, the fight was being waged in deadly earnest. Nobody could read the account of the heroic action of the naval reservists and pensioners who manned the Rawalpindi against overwhelming odds without deep emotion.

These men must have known as soon as they sighted the enemy that there was no chance for them, but they had no thought of surrender.

They fought with their guns until they could fight no more and then went to their deaths, thereby carrying on the great traditions of the Royal Navy.

The Exports Embargo

Regarding the Order-in-Council on the placing of an embargo on German exports, Mr. Chamberlain recognised that inconvenience, perhaps loss, would be inflicted on neutrals, but these measures for helping to bring our effort to a successful conclusion might well be worth some sacrifice on the part of neutrals.

"We intend to do our best to cause the least possible injury to neutrals consistent with the purpose of stopping German exports," said Mr. Chamberlain.

The date, December 4, was purposely fixed to give them ample time to make preparations.

Reply To Attlee

Referring to the recent speech of Mr. Clement R. Attlee, the Leader of the Labour Opposition, Mr. Chamberlain said that Mr. Attlee had said that imperialism must be abandoned, but did not say what country he had in mind as practising imperialism to-day.

If imperialism means assertion of racial superiority, suppression, both political and economic of other peoples; exploitation of the resources of other countries for the benefit of the imperialistic country, then I say that these are not the characteristics of this country, but they are the

characteristics of the present administration of Germany.

"Whatever may have been the case in the past, we have no thought of treating the British Empire on the lines I have described.

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Win The War First

Mr. Chamberlain, continuing his address, said that he would like to see that side of the League developed and extended very considerably.

"We are not so rigid in our views that we would refuse to adapt our methods to the changed conditions, but all sorts of fancy plans were advocated in the last war and disillusionment followed," he said.

"We must better win the war first whilst not forgetting what will come after."

FORMER DEPUTY CHARGED

Defeatist Group In France

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—M. Marcel Deat, a former Minister and Air Deputy, who is also a well-known writer, and 12 other persons were acquitted by a Military Tribunal on a charge of publishing a pamphlet calling for immediate peace which was circulated at the end of September.

The remainder of the 32 persons accused remain within the jurisdiction of the Court as fresh charges have since been brought against them.

Ministerial Meeting

PARIS, Nov. 29 (Reuter).—An important meeting of ministers was held in the War Ministry last evening presided by M. Edouard Daladier.

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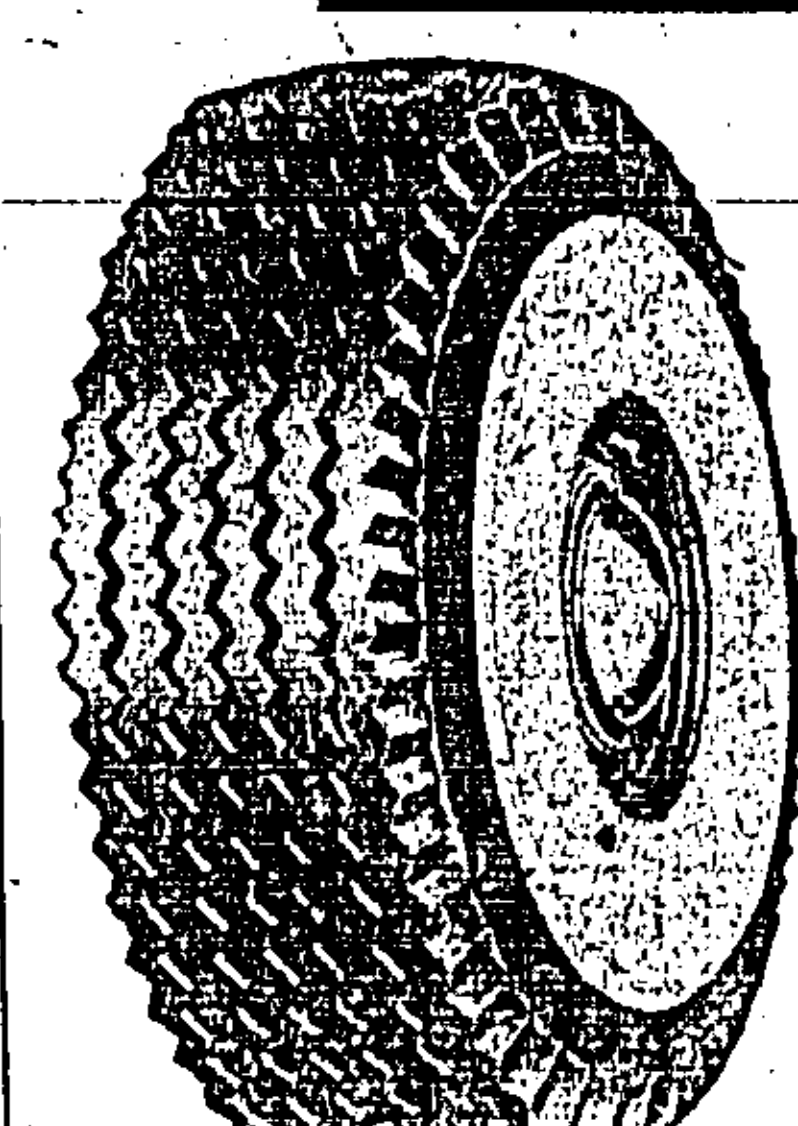
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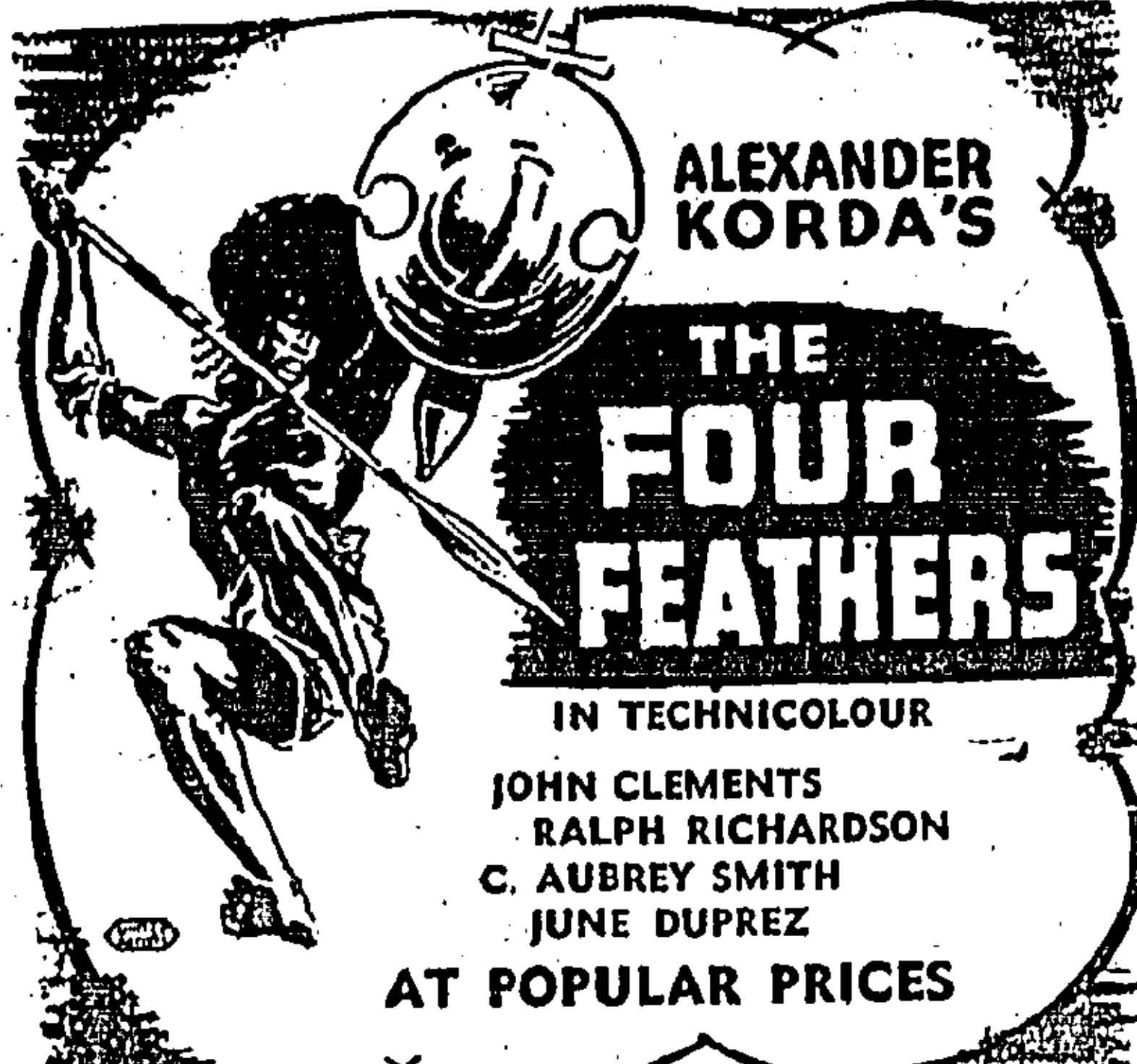
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U.S. Ambassador
At The Palace

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to London, was the guest of the King and Queen at luncheon to-day. He is leaving soon for the United States on holiday.

Burgomaster Max's
Successor

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BRUSSELS, Nov. 28, (UP).—The King of the Belgians to-day approved the election of M. Van Meulenbroeck as Burgomaster of Brussels, succeeding the late Burgomaster Max.

Father-In-Law Charged With Murder FAMILY SQUABBLES OVER MONEY ARE REVEALED

WHAT Counsel for the prosecution described as a sordid story of family squabbles over money was told at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Ip Kiu, 45, was charged with the murder of his daughter-in-law, Law Chuen-lan, 26, on October 20.

During the proceedings, the son gave evidence and admitted having pinned his father to the bed and striking him over ten blows with his fist, although he knew that according to Chinese thinking it was an unpardonable sin for a son to hit his father.

The case is being tried by the Chief Justice, Sir Abtho MacGregor, and the following jury: Messrs. A. Gascen (Foreman), Cheong Jack-fun, Yu Chik-yin, Wong Chan-kuen, Li Chiu-lung, S. Bux and H. S. Law.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, is for the prosecution, and Ip is defended by Mr. T. F. Lo, instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash.

Remarking that the details disclosed a sordid story of family squabbles over money, Mr. Abbott said Law was the daughter-in-law of Ip, and had been living together with the woman's husband and her mother at 72 First Street, 1st floor. They moved to the premises three years ago and lived there until September 28 last year, when Law, her husband and mother moved to 4 Graham Street.

Daughter-In-Law Pays Debt
Ip continued to stay at First Street and in March this year he fell into arrears of rent and the landlord threatened to take proceedings against him. One of the co-tenants on the floor informed the son of the matter, and as a result Law settled the debt with money she borrowed from her mother.

The three then returned to First Street and stayed with Ip. From that time until the end of August Law paid 70 to 80 cents a day to Ip and also either free board and lodging or an additional 30 or 40 cents in lieu.

At the end of August, Ip moved out of the premises to start an opium and heroin divan at 303 Des Voeux Road West. The son and his wife gave him some supplies to start the business and also \$22 as deposit money to take over the furniture.

Tenants Hear Quarrel
Referring to the day of the murder, Mr. Abbott said sometime in the early afternoon Ip went to First Street, and shortly afterwards other tenants on the floor heard a quarrel between Law and Ip.

At that time the son was not present but on his return soon after, he found his wife and his father fighting. Ip was using earthenware pillows as missiles. Law was defending herself with a broom.

The son refused to give him three weeks' notice to leave the premises and ultimately Ip went down to the street. The quarrel was due to Ip demanding money from Law to redeem certain clothing which his brother had pawned. Law refused to give him money, saying that she had already given him plenty. There was some evidence of justification for Ip's demand as the son admitted that he did owe his uncle \$10.

Tried To Remove Bed
The next thing that happened was in the evening when Ip again came to the floor. The son was not present at the time but his wife was. Ip started to roll up the bed mat in the rear cubicle, which he had previously used as a heroin divan, saying he was going to sell it to buy provisions.

After doing this, he went to the front cubicle occupied by his son and wife, and began to take down the bed. Her protests against this being of no avail, Law sent her maid to fetch her husband, and on his return he remonstrated with his father for attempting to remove the bed.

There was some argument and eventually a struggle ensued between father and son. The other people on the floor again intervened whereupon Ip left but just as he was going down the stairs he was struck two or three times by the son.

The son then went to the kitchen for a while and when he came out he found his wife standing in the passage way. He was about to pass her when she caught hold of him and asked him not to fight with his father. He went on but she snatched his sleeves and just then he saw his father standing a few yards away.

The case for the Crown, went on Mr. Abbott, was that it was at this precise moment that Ip struck the blow from which his daughter-in-law subsequently died. Evidence would be called to show that at the actual moment when the blow was inflicted there was no struggle going on either between Ip and the woman or between him and his son.

Girl's Cry
Immediately she was struck, Law called out, "Ai Yeh, my intestines are coming out." The son then grappled with his father and received a cut on the right eye. Neighbours once more intervened and it was then found that Ip had a knife in his hand. It was taken away from him and Ip then left the floor.

Meanwhile, Law's mother had gone off to the Police Station, and while she was there Ip himself came in, before anything could be said to him, he declared: "I have stabbed my daughter-in-law."

He was immediately cautioned and he then made the following statement: "I asked my son to redeem a jacket. He refused to do so and struck me because I wanted to sell the furniture in order to redeem the jacket. I struck him and he hit me with a knife. He struck me over ten blows with his fist first."

Died After Operation
Law was subsequently removed to hospital and there she was found to be suffering from a stab wound in the abdomen, which was perforated,

with the intestines protruding. An operation was immediately performed but she died the next morning. Death was due to shock and haemorrhage following the wound in the abdomen.

The first witness called was Dr. Dean A. Smith, of the Queen Mary Hospital, who said the direction of the wound was from below upwards, and from left to right. The knife produced could have caused it.

The son had a cut on the right eye-lid and the direction of the wound was obliquely down to the corner of the eye. Ip also complained of pain in the right elbow and at the back, but witness could not find any external sign of injury.

Doctor Cross-Examined
Questioned by Mr. Lo, Dr. Smith said judging from the direction of the wound on the eye, it was easier to inflict it with the left hand than with the right.

Mr. Lo: If the blow was made with some force and it made only a glancing impact on the eye is it possible that the force would cause a follow through by the swing of the arm downward?—Yes.

If the woman had stood slightly behind Ip and supposing Ip raised his left arm and tried to stab his son, who was slightly in front, and if he made only a glancing blow, is it possible that the wound received by the woman could have been caused by the follow through? I think it is possible.

A man may lose control of himself by great provocation?—Yes. Re-examined, Dr. Smith said the wound received by the woman could also have been caused by an upward blow with the right hand.

Son's Evidence
Giving evidence, the son of accused said that as he stood in the passage way with his wife, his father approached and moved his right hand from left to right. He did not know then that his wife had been struck and it was not until he had struggled with his father to the stairs landing that he was aware that his father had a knife in his hand.

He admitted that previous to this, he had exchanged blows with his father, and expressed the belief that the blow which caused his wife's death was originally intended for him.

Mr. Lo: Do you know it is an unpardonable sin for a son to hit his father?—Yes.

His Lordship: Do you suggest this is any part of the English law, Mr. Lo?—No, but I just want to show that if he did that it would naturally cause great provocation.

His Lordship (to witness): Do you know it would provoke your father if you hit him?—Yes.

Mr. Lo: I put it to you that you sat on your father, pinned him to the bed and struck him about ten blows?—Yes.

After that your father walked to the staircase but you followed him and struck him two more blows on the back?—Yes.

And he immediately turned round and followed you into the passage way?—I did not know he was following me.

When he walked up to you, you hit him one blow?—I missed my hand to dodge.

The case is adjourned until tomorrow at 10.30 a.m.

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS
(Continued from Page 1.)

Committee to 250, adding 100 new members.

The names of these new members were read out by Wang, who, it is alleged, justified this unusual procedure of appointing new C.E.C. members without election by mentioning that a similar procedure was once adopted by Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Wang, however, only appointed 80 new members. Lo proceeded, reserving the other 20 for later appointments.

None of the 80 was known to Lo Ching-lao. Documents destroyed. All documents and agenda of the meeting were destroyed by fire before the delegates dispersed "for the safety of the members of the delegates."

Lo said that Wang also informed him that Yang Kwai-yi was a retired military man, who was establishing contacts with Chinese military leaders, that Chao Ying was responsible for contacting the party delegates in North China, while Chow Fu-mai and Mei Sze-ping were instrumental in completing negotiations for peace with the Japanese authorities.

Wang was elected "Chairman" of the Central Executive Committee and the entire session lasted only five hours, after which the delegates were carted away in trucks.

Lo added that he was urged to stay at the residence of a member but he declined.

POPULAR YOUTH DIES

Volunteer-Sportsman Succumbs To Stroke

After several long days of anxiety, wherein at times hopes were held for his recovery, Carlos Nolasco da Silva, twenty-two year-old member of one of Hongkong's most prominent Portuguese families, died at 8.45 this morning in Hospital. He succumbed to sun-stroke, with which he was afflicted while at Volunteer Camp a fortnight ago.

An interport swimmer, he was also a keen badminton player and hockey enthusiast, and was one of the most popular members of the Victoria Recreation Club. He was selected this year for the Hongkong Swimming team, which, owing to trouble, did not travel to Shanghai.

He was the youngest son of Mr. F. M. Nolasco da Silva, the well-known Hongkong broker, and together with his father and mother, leaves behind five brothers and three sisters.

One of his brothers, who was Field Engineer in England, joined the British Army for Active Service as soon as war was declared.

His collapse occurred at Camp. He was immediately removed to hospital, where he has been for the past two weeks.

He was born in Hongkong, and was educated at St. Joseph's College, where he proved an excellent scholar and ultimately matriculated. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

Attempt To End Strike

San Francisco Harbour Dislocated

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28 (UP).—In an effort to end the 19 day shipping tie-up in which the Dock Clerks' Union, affiliated with the International Longshoremen's Union and the Warehousemen's Union, who are on strike demanding a single contract to cover the daily and monthly wage of cargo checkers, Governor Culbert Olson has submitted a plan providing for the State Harbour Commissioners to operate the San Francisco harbour temporarily, and for the strikers to resume work pending a settlement of the dispute.

However, he indicated that he did not consider the plan a precedent, although he is seeking legal opinion on just how far the Governor's power extends regarding the harbour.

Denmark Bans Exports

Sequel To British Blockade Measure

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
COPENHAGEN, Nov. 28.—(Dome).—M. J. Kjaerbol, the Minister of Commerce, Industry and Navigation, has announced that the export of important goods from Denmark has temporarily been banned.

The embargo list contains many important commodities and is likely to have serious effects on the country's foreign trade.

The steps are understood to have been taken as a precaution against the British seizure of German exports on the high seas.

Magna Carta In America

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"TELEGRAPH" STAFF REPORTER
WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 (UP).—Lord Latham, the British Ambassador, has entrusted the Magna Carta, enclosed in an air tight bronze casing, to the Library of Congress where it will remain throughout the war.

The Librarian, Mr. Archibald MacLish, accepted the task at a brief ceremony at which members of the Supreme Court of the United States were guests of honour.

GERMANS SEIZE DANISH SHIP

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—It is reported that a Danish ship has been seized by a German warship while waiting off Stockholm for the pilot.

She was carrying a cargo of coal for the Stockholm electricity works.

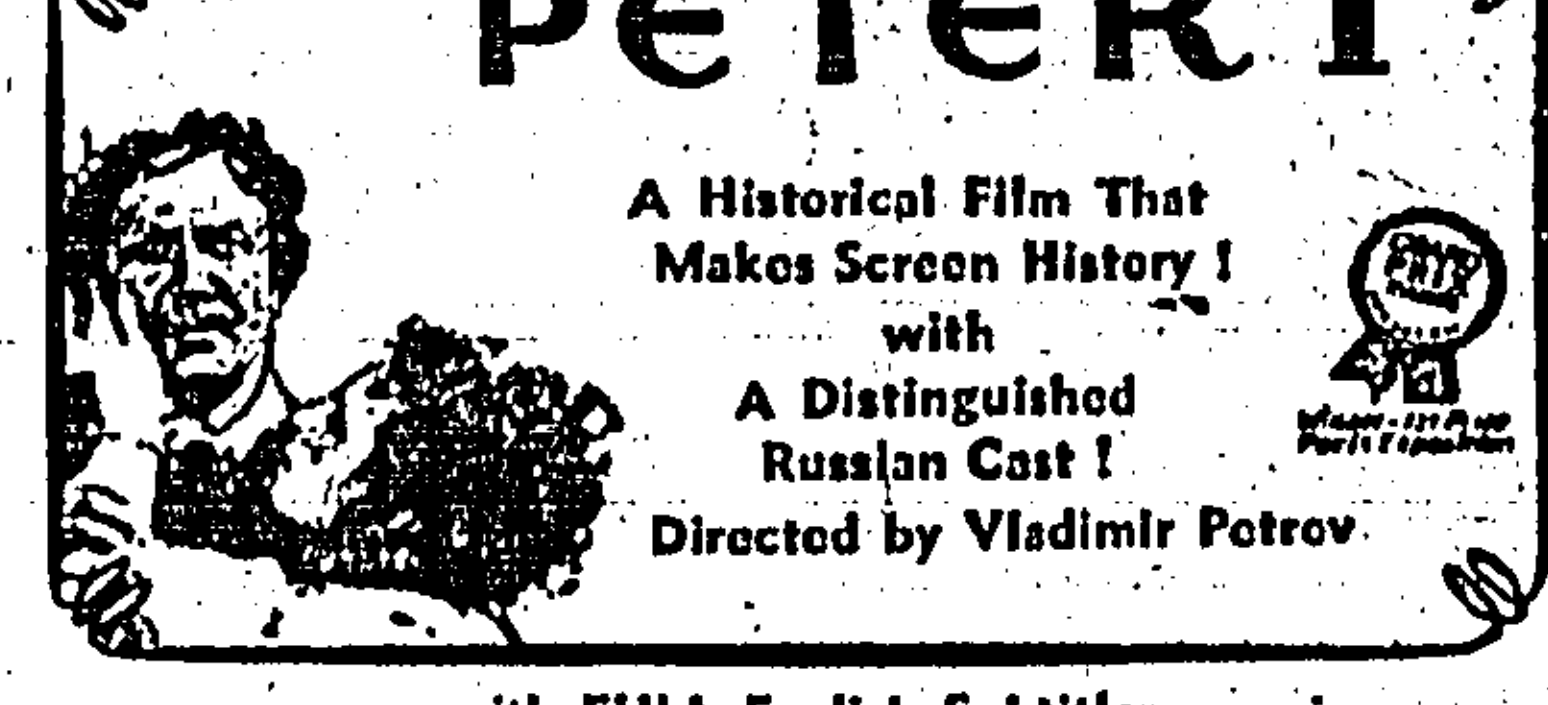
Man Is Charged With Murder

Charged with the murder of a coolie, Pun Yau-zee alias Li Yau-zee, Hui Fuk-sing, alias Hui Yip-fai, 43, ship cook on board the s.s. Selatan, appeared before Mr. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning and was formally remanded for court week.

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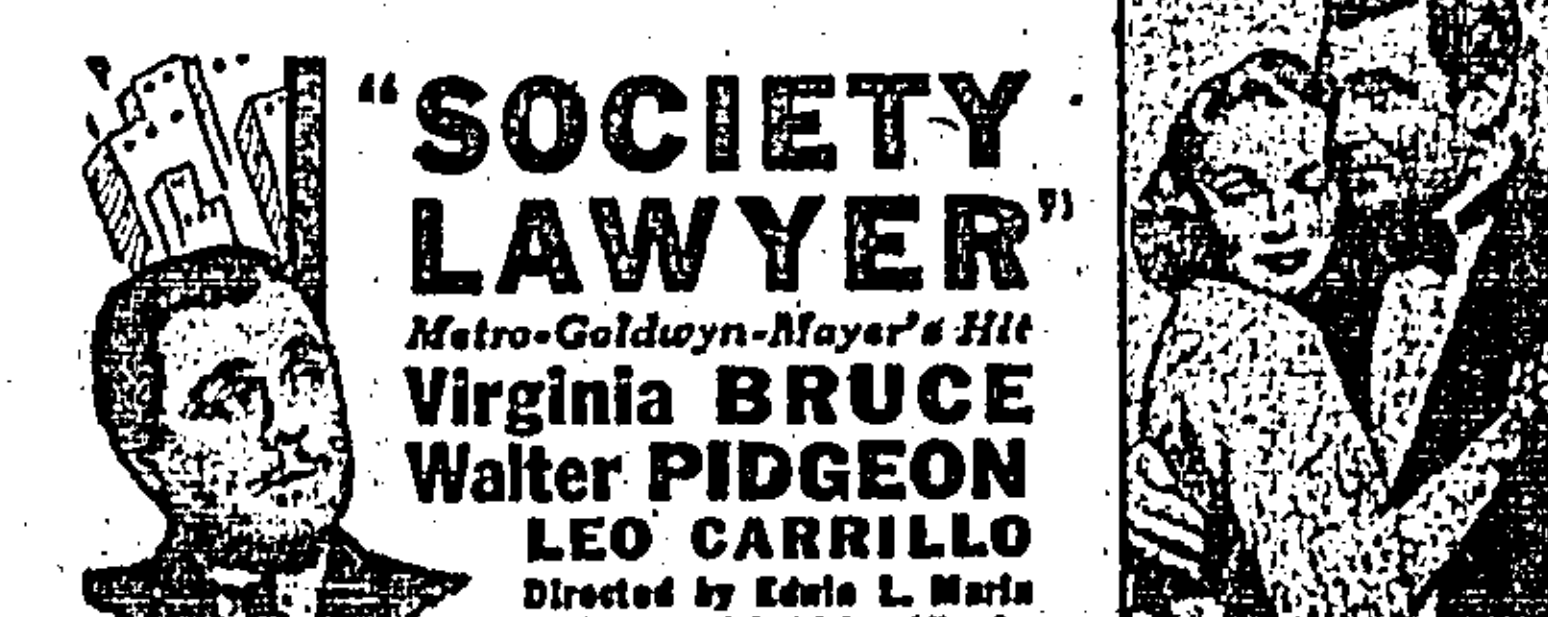


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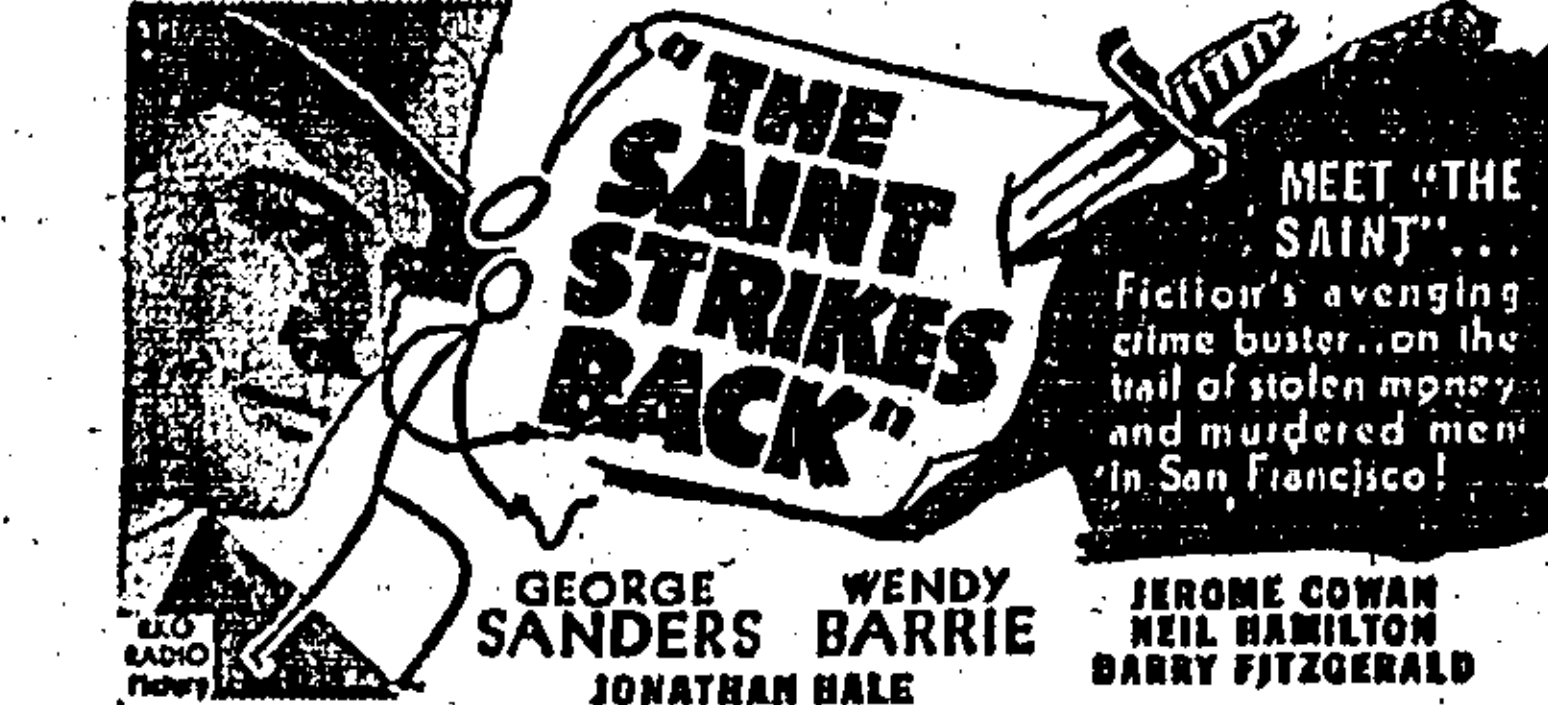
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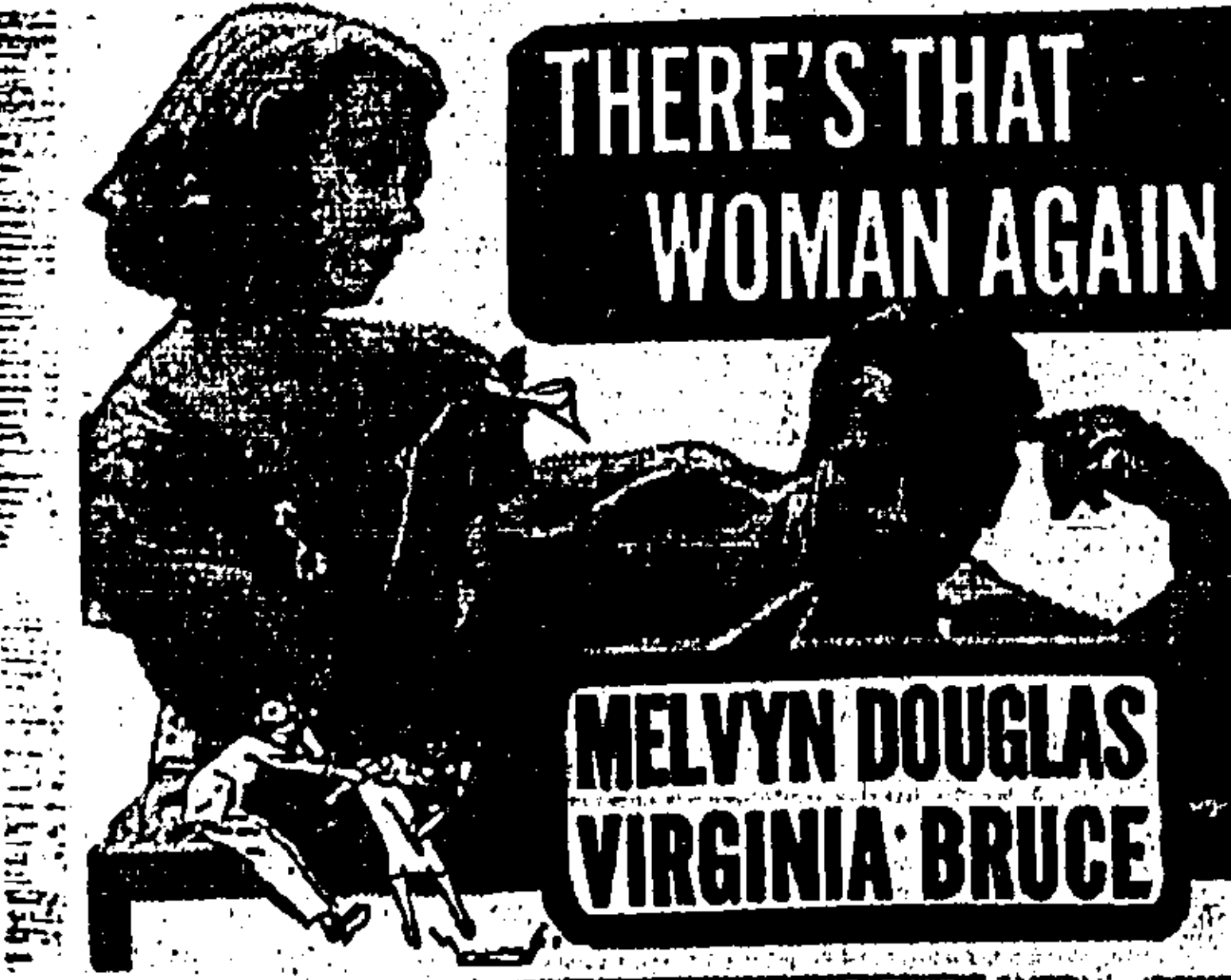
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